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CANNING FACTORY SUIT RESULTS IN HUNG JURY

The lawsuit of Akins-Lang vs. certain stockholders of the late Akins-Sikeston Packing Co., charged with breach of contract, was tried before Judge Frank Kelly at Jackson Wednesday and resulted in a mistrial, the jury standing six for conviction and six for acquittal.

The case will be again set for trial at the next term of circuit court to be held at Jackson three months hence.

The suit was held purely to the contract signed by Akin and Lang holders of 51 per cent of the stock, and by certain members of the Chamber of Commerce and holders of stock in the packing company, and said contract called for certain payments and certain provisions on the part of both parties to the suit which were not carried out by either party. Akin and Lang claim there was a balance of $4700 due them by the Chamber of Commerce for which they brought suit. The Chamber of Commerce and the defendants claim that Lang, as manager and representing the majority of stock, had failed to have the company incorporated and in that respect failed to carry out his part of the contract.

Along about the first of September the packing plant burned, the insurance was collected and about the first of October, Akin and Lang met with a committee representing the Chamber of Commerce and the minority stockholders to settle the affairs of the company and divide the insurance money. Akin and Lang claim the Chamber of Commerce owed them $4700, and the members of the Chamber of Commerce and committee representing the minority stockholders stated on oath that it was their understanding that after paying bills due, the balance of the insurance money was to settle all claims of Akin and Lang. They likewise stated, under oath, that Mr. Akin said he did not want a lawsuit and wanted a settlement at that time, that they might clean up and clear out of Sikeston.

Akin and Lang were ably represented by Phil Graves of Neosho, Mo., while the defendants were represented by Bailey & Bailey of Sikeston.

After the jury was dismissed, it was learned the six farmers on the jury favored the plaintiffs in the case.

RIVER STARTS TO FALL AT CAPE GIRARDEAU WED

Cape Girardeau, May 1.—Starting its fall from the highest stage of the year, the Mississippi river today was receding gradually and with fair weather forecast indications are that the drop will become rapid within a few days.

After remaining stationary for nearly 24 hours, the river began to fall slowly late Tuesday and at 8 a. m. today a drop of nearly four inches from the high stage of early Tuesday was recorded.

The stage at 8 a. m. today was 36.6 feet. At 4 p. m. Tuesday the stage was 36.8 and at 8 a. m. the same day the stage was 36.9 feet, less than one-half inch under the high mark.

Cairo, Ill., May 1.—Four p. m. stage at Cairo, 46.2, rising; will reach about 46.5 feet Thursday night At New Madrid, the river will reach about 37 feet Friday. Elsewhere the rivers of this district will rise somewhat for several days.

Paducah, Ky., May 1.—Stage of the river, 33.5 feet, a rise of eight-tenths of a foot. Arrived and departed.

River Forecast:

The Mississippi in this district at Memphis and above will rise, reaching a stage of 37.5 feet, or slightly higher at Memphis by May 5 or 6. It will change little at Helena, followed by slowly rising stages by May 3. —Commercial Appeal.

FRISCO OPERATOR HEARS BYRD EXPEDITION 2:30 A. M.

Aubrey Shain, night operator at the Frisco station, told The Standard Wednesday afternoon, that at 2:30 o'clock that morning, he was in communication with the Byrd expedition which at that time was within 700 miles of the South Pole. The sender on the "cold" end of the wire, asked that the explorers be remembered to everyone in the United States.

MAY 4-11 DESIGNATED AS CELAN-UP WEEK

An anouncement by James Stewart, State Health Commissioner and seconded by Dr. U. P. Haw, Scott County Health Physician, designates the week of May 4-11 as Clean-up Week. It has been decided in a called meeting of the Council to follow the precedent of previous years in having each citizen pay the cost of hauling away trash and other materials.

The announcement by Dr. Stewart follows:

Whereas the welfare of a State depends upon the health of its citizens; and

Whereas the health of the people of a State depends to a large extent upon the cleanliness and sanitary conditions of the community in which they live, and

Whereas the State Board of Health of Missouri is charged by law with the safeguarding and protection of public health, now

Therefore the State Board of Health of Missouri does hereby designate the week beginning May 4, and ending May 11, as general clean-up week, and does invite the people of Missouri and all agencies and organizations interested in this important work to make every reasonable effort to promote cleanliness and sanitatior in every city, town and village in the State.

MINER CLUB TO GIVE PRIZE FOR BEST NAME

The recently formed Young People's Club at Miner Switch, is without a name, and will be until the next meeting, which will be held May 16 at the Community Hall, beginning at 8 o'clock. At that time a suitable name will be selected from a number of suggestions now being contributed, and for the one offering the most suitable name, will be rewarded with a prize.

The purpose of the Club is to feature educational programs, to learn the development of leadership, and to have a social good time.

EX-TREASURER ARNOLD RETURNS RECORDS TO CO.

George J. Arnold, former treasurer of Scott County, returned to the County Treasurer's office this Monday, County stubs, receipts, cancelled checks and check stubs covering the period of January 1, 1921 to December 31, 1928, inclusive. This, we are informed, is the County property that the recent Grand Jury ordered placed back in safe keeping with County records. It was stated in the Grand Jury report that certain County officials had in the past, made a practice of taking records of the county with them when their term of office expired.

CORN PLANTING 2 WEEKS BEHIND IN MISSOURI

Columbia, May 1.—Plowing, corn planting and other farm activities fell two to three weeks behind the normal schedule in the cool wet weather of the last three weeks of April, the weekly Missouri crop report of the United States Weather Bureau says today.

There was slight improvement and beginning of farm activities in the northwest counties, but no planting has been possible. Corn and cotton planting made fair progress, howevre, in the extreme southeast and southern border counties.

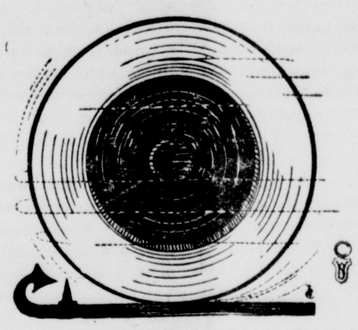
Wheat continued in very good condition generally, the report asserts. Oats were getting too much rain.

FRISCO RAIL HEARING TO BE HELD IN CAPE MAY 20

A public hearing on the application of the Frisco railroad to abandon three short branch line railroads in Southeast Missouri will be held May 20 at the Federal building in Cape Girardeau, Lee Bagby, traffic bureau manager, was advised.

The hearing will be held before the Missouri Public Service Commission which will act for itself and for the Interstate Commerce Commission before which the application was also filed. The Interstate commission asked the State body to hear the case.

Mesdames Clarence Felker, M. M. Beck, Alvin Taylor and E. E. Hudson accompanied some of the high school students to the Cape Girardeau curricular and athletic events last Friday. Mrs. Beck and Mrs. Felker remained in the city until Sunday.



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DAY AND NIGHT

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CHILD HEALTH DAY TO BE MAY 7-BENTON

Plans are rapidly taking shape for the annual Child Health Day Program sponsored by the Scott County Health Department. According to Miss Tillie Witt, County Nurse, plans now call for a lecture by Dr. Irval Coffey of the State Health Department, Jefferson City, two or more reels moving pictures, one on "The Fly Menace" and one on "Milk—the Health Food", and other entertaining and instructive features.

The meeting is open to the public and is free of charge. It will be held in the Community Building, Benton and will begin at 7:30 o'clock next Tuesday evening. May 1 is usually designated as State-wide Child Health Day, but plans in this county could not be perfected in time.

ROOTWAD CHURCH

The Rev. H. H. Harper will fill his regular appointment next Sunday morning at the Rootwad Church. Rev. N. Goldsmith and Rev. Charles Wamble are also expected to be present. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Goldsmith. Jr. Johnson is Superintendent of the Sunday School. Mr. Allard teaches. Bible Class every Sunday. The public is invited.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Regular services will be conducted at the Lutheran Church Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school at 9:45. All are welcome.

E. H. KOERBER.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Rev. Hoover announces that the sermon tpoics for Sunday morning and night will be "Prayer For Others" and "The End of the World". The public is invited to attend.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

O. P. Bellanger, Minister

Bible School, Ray Duncan, Supt. —9:45.

Morning Worship and Communion—11:00.

Christian Endeavor—6:30.

Evening Services—7:30.

Midweek Services—7:30.

The evening services will be in charge of Young People of the Christian Endeavor, and there will be four ten minute talks, by Misses Lumsden Kissner and Walter Weekly and Jas. McClennan. This will be an opportunity for the people of Sikeston to grasp an idea as to what Christianity has done and is doing for the young folk, and one cannot afford to miss this. Kemper Bruton will have charge of the song service and Mrs Bellanger will sing a solo.

The morning service Mr. Bellanger will preach on "The Great Controversy".

All are welcome.

School Girl Breaks Finger

Monica Taylor, Sophomore in the Sikeston High School, fell during gym period Wednesday morning and suffered a broken finger.

Home baked pies fresh every day at the Charlie White Building in front of Shoe Factory. 10c to 35c.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Oliver and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Duggins of St Louis were week-end guests of Mrs Duggins' mother, Mrs. Maggie Chambers.

Miss Maureen Lloyd of Cape Girardeau, who has been the guest of Miss Evelyn Sutton since Monday, returned to her home Thursday morning.

Mrs. Sadie Cunningham, who has been on an extended visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Woods, of Laurel, Miss., is here visiting friends for several weeks before going to Canada to spend the summer.

BURGLARS VISIT FARM HOME-TAKE $1000

Benton, April 30.—Burglars ransacked the farm home of Mrs. Peter Petz, a widow, near New Hamburg, Sunday morning, taking $1000 in currency and valuables. Sheriff Tom Scott, who spent Sunday and today investigating the burglary said he was without clews. The burglars entered while Mrs. Petz was away at church, ransacked the house, turning everything topsy turvy, and found the money which had been secreted. The money included $800 in paper curency and the remainder in gold and silver.

AUSTRALIAN FLYERS KILLED BY THIRST

Sydney, N. S. W., May 1.—Suffering agony from thirst and exhausted by desperate efforts to take off from the ragged terrain where they had landed, Robert Hitchcock and Lieut. Keith Anderson, of the Airplane Kockaburra, died some time either on or after April 12.

The grim story of the fate of the two men who had taken part in the air search for the airplane Southern Cross was revealed in the notes of a diary scrawled upon the rudder of their plane.

First definite news of the deaths of the men came today with report from a land party that had made its way over the rough country to the stranded rescue plane.

Attorney R. L. Ward of Caruthersville spent Wednesday in Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert drove to Oran Thursday to visit the latter's father, M. Banks.

John Cunningham, a Caruthersville banker, was a Sikeston visitor Sunday afternoon. He married Miss Monica Gill, a former Sikeston girl and granddaughter of Frank Heisler

CHECK FORGER IS OPERATING HERE,

Checks drawn on the Weltecke Lbr. Company, and the Gehrhardt Construction Company have been turned down by the Sikeston Trust Company and the Bank of Sikeston as forgeries. Up to Thursday noon, a total of nine checks, ranging in amounts from $20 to $27.50 had been received, and in each case some merchant in this city or in Cape Girardeau had been the victim.

Checks were cashed by Derris Drug Company, Korgers, and the Sikes Hardware Company in this city, and by the Novelty Shope, Clifton's Cafe and others in Cape Girardeau.

The forger seems to have a working knowledge of conditions around contractors or construction company offices. In the case of Weltecke, the forger printed the name Weltecke Lumber Company and The Sikeston Trust Company on the checks; he used a numbering machine to number the checks, a typewriter, blue ribbon a date stamp, check protector and safety paper. The result is a well-turned out check as might be given to a laborer, carpenter or other workman around construction offices. Only two mistakes were made on the Weltecke checks, the forger gave too much "curl" to the "E" ending Weltecke's name, and he guessed wrong on the Bank Company's number.

The check that was stopped Thursday morning, the sixth since Tuesday was made payable to G. Phillips for $24.75, and had been cashed by the Novelty Shop of Cape Girardeau.

The tables were reversed on Sikeston merchants. Checks cashed here were drawn on the Gehrhardt Construction Company of Cape Girardeau, the same company that built the Frisco depot and the Sensenbaugh block here.

Alfred Sikes remembers the sale of one gallon of flat wall paint to "a medium, slender woman" last Saturday. The woman, he stated, seemed to know what she wanted, and I seeing the check drawn on a construction company, thought that she ought to know. The Sikes Company is "out" $20.75, the amount of the check, the cost of one gallon of paint, and protest charges amounting to $3.00. It cost the Clifton Cafe $20.75, and the Novelty Shop of Cape Girardeau $24.75 to mention three victims. Other merchants here cannot remember their transactions.

One clue to the identity of the forger lies in the fact, that he or she used the number of a Poplar Bluff Bank instead of the correct number of the Sikeston Trust Company.

HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

MAY 3—
Southeast Missouri Girls Track meet. 3 p. m. High School athletic field. Admission 25c.

MAY 7—
Annual Home Economics dinner for School Board

MAY 8—
Junior reception to Seniors. Excursion on Cape Girardeau.

MAY 10—
Presentation of eighth grade play, "High Flyers". High School gym

MAY 12—
Annual sermon to graduating class, school and parents by Rev. A. C Rudloff. 11:00 a. m.

MAY 14—
Presentation of annual Senior play, "Tea For Tom". 8:00 p. m. High School gym.

MAY 16—
Graduation exercises in high school auditorium. Vacation until September.

BOY SCOUT DRIVE NETS $100

A little more than $100 was raised in a one-day tag day and bake sale last Saturday by the local Boy Scout troops. Mothers of the Scouts and others, donated candies, cakes and pastries for the bake sale, which netted about $50. The Scouts organized in groups, covered the town with tag buttons, and realized nearly $55. Another effort will be made to collect old magazines and newspapers, according to Scoutmaster Ensor.

Ferguson—Ferguson Iron, Tin and Sheet Metal Works moved to larger quarters to accommodate increasing business.

10 SCHOOLS ENTER TRACK MEET FRIDAY

Ten schools in Southeast Missouri have accepted the invitation of the local High School to take part in the Seventh Annual Girls' Track Meet here Friday afternoon. Entries are registered to compete in the following event: 50-yard dash, 8-pound shot put, high jump, 60-yard run, baseball throw, 75-yard run, broad jump and the 240 relay.

Twenty-one indivdiual medals have been received, and are on display at Dudley's Confectionery. In addition to this number, one Best Individaul Medal, one trophy to the relay team and one to the winner of the meet will be given, making a total of twenty-four medals or trophies.

Entrants have been received from the following schools:

Clarkton—Rilda Grooms, Julia Brooks, Emma Nell Englehardt and Elizabeth Blaylock.

Canalou—Marguerite Haywood, Verdia Smith, Vianna Bennett, Audrey McWaters, Irene Greer and Moe Brantley.

Kennett—Sara Bray, 50-yard dash; Louise Floyd or Mildred Brown, 8-pound shot; Mildred Brown, high jump; Verna Harris, baseball throw; 60-yard run, Sara Bray; 240-yd. relay, Sara Bray, Mildred Brown, Celeste Templeton, Lucy Mae Dickey, substitute, Dorothy Oakes.

Bernie—Emma Tee Moore, Lottie Summers, Ruby Goforth, Geneva Livingston, Lorence Jordan, Inez Crews, Flora Belle Young, Roslyn Jeffress and Norma Escue.

Cooter—Thelma McAdams, Velma J Travis, 50 yard dash; Mary Martha Chambers, 8-pound shot; Iris Michie and Mary Martha Chambers, 60-yard run; Thelma McAdams, Mary Martha Chambers, 75-yard run; Iris Michie, Mary Martha Chambers, broad jump. Relay team will be selected from the following six: Velma J. Travis, Thelma McAdams, Mary Martha Chambers, Iris and Myrle Michie and Ovelia Young.

Steele sent regrets on not being able to atend the meet by saying that the County Literary and Athletic meet was also scheduled for that day. "However" said Supt. L. G. Wilson, "Remembering the very pleasant visit we had with you during the basketball tournament, our regret is all the keener at not being able to accept your invitation".

Sikeston—Nell Littleton, Margaret Whidden, Margaret Baker, Irene Boyd, Gladys Frey and Ethyl Dunn.

Morley—Sara Daugherty, Leona Emerson, Ella Lee Evans, Anna Foster, Mary Alma Harris, Mildred Hufstadler, Juanita Hulin, Tilda Keen, Lena Miller, Eva Mize, Eloise Stallings and Gladys Ward.

Entrants from Poplar Bluff, Hornersville, Charleston, New Madrid and Bertrand have not been received. Other schools than the ones mentioned may participate, according to M. C. Cuningham, but ten have definitely promised to send athletes.

The track meet will begin at 3:00 p. m. this Friday at the local high school field. Admission will be 25c.

FIND CHILD DEAD IN AUTO NEAR MATTHEWS

Matthews, April 30.—Coroner D. A. Childs was called to the Daugherty Filling Station to hold an inquest over a little child that had been found dead in a car occupied by Mexican tourists.

Death was pronounced due to asphyxiation from carbon monoxide gas, and was probably due to the underfed condition of the child, which made resistance impossible. Death came instantly, according to the coroner. The Mexicans claimed the child for their own, and secured a dry goods box from Mr. Daugherty, wrapped the body in a shirt and buried it in the negro burying ground on the Steele place.

The following guests were entertained Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert: Mr. and Mrs. S. Feinberg and family, Portageville, Mr. and Mrs. M. Feinberg and daughter of Portageville, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Segal of Portageville, Mr. and Mrs. L. Freidman and daughter of East Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. M. Freidman and family of Charleston Mr. Segal returned to Portageville Monday, but Mrs. Segal remained in Sikeston and drove to East Prairie with Mr. Lampert to visit Mr. and Mrs. L. Freidman, Monday afternoon.

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AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

Equipment with which the average college graduate sets out to wrest a living from the world: A set of golf clubs, an ability to recognize 20 per cent of the words in any French or German newspaper, a jar of hair cream, a ukulele, a hazy idea of why Hannibal crossed the Alps, an Omicron Omega Omicron pin, a copy of Whoozis' "Analytical Geometry", a college sweater, a taste for a gin a nodding acquaintance with the Elizabethan drama, a fiancee and an oblong of parchment engraved in Latin.—K. C. Star.

Heinie Henry will probably run the Man About Town out of town for this, but this story of Heinie's first attempt as umpire at a ball game is too good to keep.

The score was even up and the visitors had two down and three men on. The third batter stepped to the plate, swung twice and the catcher on Heinie's side, caught the man on third napping. The side was retired.

The same gent with the two swings naturally headed the batting list in the next inning. He took a hefty swing, and Heinie sang out, "You're out".

"Aw, what th'—" came back from the batsman. "I only got one strike". Don't give me none of that", retorted Heinie, "I said you're Out. You had two strikes left from last inning".

Anyone seeing a chain running around with a brindle dog at one end, please call Chris Schmedit.—Ad in Palmyra Spectator.

Said one of our want-ad users Tuesday afternoon: "Say, I wan't you to stop my ad"—and the office pup pricked up his ears, because, continued the customer, "I'm getting too many answers".

And that is no bed-time story, either.

Just as Larue Hamby, good looking truckman for McKnight-Keaton, was unloading the last of some 2650 pounds of block salt, some bright egg stepped up and said, "Say Mister, that guy Morton must have had lots of relatives to put away."

No, Adolphos, the man was not unloading little tombstones. It was only stock salt.

Dick Swanner wishes to informs A. J. Renner, Farm Agent, that Privet Hedges can be pressed into service as stock feed. A demonstration of the edibility of said hedge growth will be given any Saturday afternoon while teams are "parked" next to Dick's pride and joy at the City Hall, Sikeston, Mo.

In a moving picture magazine, we read that Antonio Bianchi, Charleston, Ill., movie house manager, was arrested for showing pictures on Sunday. Said magazine stated that Bianchi was violating a State law passed in 1845. Besides being dubious about the date, we have often wished for such a law in Missouri—when the old family picture album was going the rounds.

You know the kind of conversation: 'Now, Blanche, this is the CUTest thing. I think it's just DARling of AMBrose at the age of four months", and little AMBrose, now 21, will blush with righteous shame as his stark anatomy falls under the scrutinizing gaze of a dozen gazelles. And why not, we ask?

Our good friend Tip Keller is a real patriot. Takes Mayor Fuch's clean-up proclamation serious and all that When noticed with a bottle of Baden-Baden or Pluto water, this week, he held it aloft and announced that he for one was going to observe the order.

MALONE AVENUE—FOREST

Work has been started on Malone Avenue Parkway. Workmen for the city under the direction of Lon Swanner are clearing away rocks and leveling the site in preparation for two or three cars of good top soil. If present plans mature, the parkway will represent an investment of some $400 or $500 but even a casual glance at the forest of telephone and telegraph poles along the street at this time, will tell that it will be money thrown away—unless the companies who own the lines place their wires in conduits and remove the unsightly poles. It has been suggested that the two or more companies combine their lines on one set of ornate poles; however, we are of the opinion that it would be more satisfactory and more in keeping with good engineering principles to place each set, telephone, telegraph and signal wires, if any, in separate conduits.

Both companies are progressive. The railroad company especially, has shown every courtesy in dealing with the problem of improving the physical appearance of the city and of its right-of-way. The telegraph and telephone companies, if both are involved, are known as progressive organizations, and we feel that if the suggestion be made to them that by removing the veritable forest of unsightly poles, guy wires, and anchors they would be co-operating with the whole city in its beautification program, that they would willingly lend their assistance.

Whatever is to be done, should be done at once, before the city and civic organizations invest their money in permanent improvements.

PARENTS' DAY ATTRACTS MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED

More than one hundred Sikeston mothers and fathers visited the grade school rooms Wednesday "to see how their particular children were being educated", as one of the number stated.

No special programs had been prepared by Miss Maude Herring or by her corps of teachers. Regular every-day routine work in the respective class rooms was carried on so that parents could gain a fair knowledge of the system.

Three more girl Civil Service students at the Chillicothe Business College received Washington appointments last week while another of its boys was assigned to the Drainage Office at Kansas City.

The visitation of a farm home by burglars who took $1000 in cash rerecently leads to some interesting speculation as to whether it is safer in the minds of people to deposit their savings in tin cans or in banking institutions. A tin can buried in the cellar, or a wad of loose change stuffed between mattresses, may be safe and again it may not; but one thing is certain, it will draw no interest. Money cached away is exposed to more hazards from fire, sudden destruction of home and hiding place, and from burglars, than is money placed on deposit or in a savings account in a reputable bank. It seems strange to write of this condition in this day and time, but this condition of distrust in banks does prevail, and in some cases rightly so. The writer has been reliably informed, particularly by one automobile dealer, that hundreds of his rural customers have amounts of money running into four figures, cached away. One bank in a thousand may fail, but a baking powder can containing a lifetime's savings is liable to be lost to every maundering sneak thief in the country.

WASTE OF MONEY TO CULL CHICKENS NOW, SAYS TEAL

There is only one valid reason for culling a flock of chickens at this time of year, according to County Agent Teal and that is that the owner needs money and must sell something in order to realize cash.

Since it is the natural tendency for hens to lay eggs in the spring and many of them will lay whether they are fed or not, to get rid of a bunch of mature chickens in the spring is a little bit like killing the goose that lays the golden egg. Frequently very few eggs have been secured from a flock during winter months, and yet during that time the chickens have, no doubt, consumed considerable quantities of feed. It is very doubtful, thinks the County Agent, that an increase of four or five cents per pound in selling price will begin to make up for the amount of feed consumed during the months of December, January, February and March.

The ideal time to cull chickens is from July to October. At that time of year, well fed chickens will show their inability to continue production and no difficulty is experienced in picking them out.

Although several calls have come in within the past few weeks relative to culling chickens, County Agent Teal says that where flocks have been examined it has been practically impossible to distinguish the average layer from the poor ones. In most cases, this condition is due to the feeding system used. Not enough feed is being given the chickens or else it is not properly balanced. Sometimes the roosting quarters are poor, making it necessary for the flocks to use all their food to provide heat and energy against the same as outdoor roosting.

At any rate, although it is a good plan to discard undesirable birds in all months of the year and although the poultry owner who pays close attention to his flock will actually cull during every season of the year, the culling of the flock to determine which birds shall be retained for hatching egg production the following winter should be done in the late summer or early fall.

County Agent Teal says it is his intention in future to cull flocks only for demonstration purposes when assurance has been given him that the flock owner will have at least five neighbors present to witness the demonstration.

Home cooked dinner every day at Eskrigde's Place, Chamber of Commerce Addition.

Two Santa Fe R. R. division points Chanute, Kans., and Clovis, N. Mex. secured stenographers from the Chillicothe Business College last week providing transportation and offering good salaries.

The Rev. O. P. Bellanger left for Henderson, Ky., Thursday, to be present at the funeral of a friend, Rev. W. R. Wells, who died Monday. Services will be conducted Friday afternoon and Rev. Bellanger will return to this city, Saturday.

SOYBEANS MAKE EXCELLENT CROP FOR FLAT FARM LANDS

There is perhaps no other crop known at the present time that can be grown for either seed or hay, on flat areas which are in need of lime, to as good an advantage as the soybean crops, says R. E. Uhlan of the Missouri College of Agriculture. This is especially true where farmers are producing livestock which requires plenty of hay that is high in protein, and are also interested in keeping up the fertility of their soil. It must be held in mind though that while soybeans will do quite well on fairly acid soils, the response to lime is quite noticeable not only in increase of yield but also in increase of valuable protein.

It has been observed that land which has been cropped to soybeans for several years become very loose. While this may prove a disadvantage on rolling lands, it is a decided advantage on the level prairie land of Mississippi and other counties.

The growing of a few crops of well inoculated soybeans, increases the organic matter and nitrogen content of the soil and thus makes the soil more productive and better able to withstand severe drought. The ability of the tap root to penertate into the subsurface layer of soil and help in loosening that area which tends to prevent normal subsurface drainage has a lot to do the improvement in natural drainage of heavy land.

The experience of the writer who grew soybeans for two years on heavy sharky clay loam soil, has demonstrated conclusively the value of soybeans as crop to improve the physical condition of the ground. The field in which beans had been planted, plowed and worked down like a fine mellow loam, rather than heavy clay. The difference was so remarkable that there could be no mistake as to the actual reason.

BERTRAND SCHOOL TO PRESENT PLAY MAY 3

The Bertrand High School will present the play, "Aunt Jerusa on the Warpath" at the Miner Community Hall Friday night, May 3, beginning at 7:30 o'clock shrp. Admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

DEPUTY WARDEN'S FINED FOR HUNTING ON SUNDAY

Bloomfield April 30.—A jury in Circuit Court here yesterday found D. E. Adams and J. E. McKinney, State Deputy Game Wardens, guilty under an old statute for hunting on Sunday, and fined each $25 and costs. This was the first conviction under the law in many years in this part of Missouri.

The wardens were arrested following their campaign against hunters alleged to have hunted ducks after sundown in Stoddard County. Adams resides at Dexter and McKinney at Poplar Bluff. Dave Meadows of Puxico, another warden, also charged with the same offense, failed to appear for trial and his $500 bond was forfeited.

The State produced a surprise witness, who identified himself as a Federal game warden, and who testified that he saw McKinney shoot a duck on a Sunday. He recalled the incident, declaring duck had not been killed, but crippled. McKinney ran after it when it fell, he said. The defendants said that they were on official business while in the woods watching for game law violators, and that they did not use their weapons. They carried weapons nearly all the time, they testified.

Alleged Qulin Robber Captured

Poplar Bluff, April 30.—Sheriff Ray McCown is on his way to Los Angeles, Cal., to take charge of Hunter Albritton and Orville Taylor, charged with complicity in the Qulin Bank robbery on February 28, 1928, following the arrest of Taylor there Sunday. Taylor was recaptured after he escaped from officers there two weeks ago, according to McCown.

Sikeston Standard, $1.50 per year.

BETTER SERVICE CLUB MEETS AT POPLAR BLUFF

Employees of the local Missouri Utilities Company went to Poplar Bluff Tuesday night to attend the regular monthly meeting of employes of the company. The following attended: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brenton, ton, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Beck, P. Martin, Fred Ancell, Grady Davis, Misses Jennie Trousdale, Effie Campbell, Miss McCarney of Cape Girardeau and Mr. and Mrs. Hill of Charleston. The local group was joined by representatives of the Dexter office and plants.

Meetings are scheduled at different points in the district, and matters of interest to the employes and the company discussed.

Farmers and Merchants of Westphalia merged with Bank of Westphalia.

Our Mayor and Council have designated next week as Cleaning and Paint Up Week While you are busy cleaning up Let Us Do

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A Treat For The Hungry
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FINDS SPEED CAUSES MOST AUTO ACCIDENTS

"Too much speed for conditions" is given as the most common cause of motor vehicle fatalities during the past year, in a statement issued by Girard C. Varnum, secretary-manager of the St. Louis Safety Council.

Nine other factors which Varnum includes in the list of principal causes are:

Cars not under control on busy traffic streets.

Inattention while driving.

Poor driving judgment.

Failure to observe right-of-way rule.

Failure of drivers to realize their individual responsibility in driving.

Poor brakes and glaring headlights.

Lack of consideration on the part of motorists for adult and child pedestrians.

Overloading of small passenger cars.

Impatience of motorists over small delays.

"Many drivers do not know what speed is a safe speed", Varnum said. "Thirty miles an hour in some sections of the city where there are no intervening streets, is much safer than 20 miles an hour on certain residence or busines stretes where pedestrian and motor traffic is heavy.

"A common cause of poor driving judgment has frequently been found among drivers who have imbibed too freely in alcoholic intoxicants. It is not infrequent to read in the press of the disastrous result of some road-house party where the driver of an automobile, not intoxicated and apparently feeling sober and believing himself to be sober, has run into a lamp post or into another motor car or has run down a pedestrian.

"One bit of advice that will be given to motor car drivers is that they never attempt to operate their cars after having indulged to any great extent in intoxicants.

Courthouse Dedication, May 16

Poplar Bluff, April 29.—J. H. Wolpers, chairman of the general committe selected by the County Court to prepare plans for dedication of the new $300,000 courthouse here, has announced that the ceremonies will be held May 16. Ed L. Abbington, veteran member of the Butler County Bar Association, will deliver the chief address. Robert L. Ward of Caruthersville, president of tbe Southeast Missouri Bar Association, also is scheduled to speak. Wolpers believes from 15,000 to 20,000 people will attend the program.

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METHODIST SENATOR DENOUNCES HIS CHURCH BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

Washington, April 29.—Denouncing the activity of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Church, Senator Copeland today flatly denied that he had voted for a prohibition bill because that organization asked him to do so.

The Senator, who is a Methodist, said a "lobbyist" of the association visited him and asked him as a member of that church to vote for a bill imposing cloture upon the measure, whereupon, Copeland asserted, he told the man that he bitterly resented "this attempted interference by an officer of my church in a matter of politics".

Although convinced that the Volstead act cannot be enforced in its present form, the Senator said he will vote as a good citizen, for every reasonable method holding out hope of enforcement.

Copeland's views were given in a letter written to Dr. Clarence True Wilson, head of the asosciation.

The communication follows:

'Nothing could be more painful to me than a controversy with my church or any of its officials. But I must say something to you today that I do not like to say.

"I have been greatly concerned for years over what I regard to be an improper activity, the work at Washington of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Church, in its manifest efforts to dictate and control legislation. I disapprove this. That, as I view it, is not the function of the Methodist Church. Our traditional attitude has been one of rebellion against ecclesiastical interference with the State. Yet we are doing exactly what we have demanded shal not be done by the Catholics. Had that branch of the Christian churcl erected a building adjoining the Capitol there would have been vehement denunciation from every Methodist pulpit. As I see it we cannot afford to do what we are unwilling for others to do".

SUGAR CONSUMPTION IN U. S. IS 110 POUNDS PER CAPITA

Sugar consumption in the United States has generally tended upward since 1909, says the United States Department of Agriculture. The peak seems to have been reached in 1925. In that year the total estimated raw sugar available for consumption reached 6,648,00 short tons, making a per capita consumption figure for the year of 114.4 pounds.

In 1926 and in 1927 both the total and the per capita consumption declined. For 1926 the per capita consumption figure was 110.6 pounds, and in 1927, 110.1 pounds. Figures for 1928 are not yet available.

World consumption of all raw sugar in the year ended August 30, 1928, acording to an Austrian estimate, was 28,375,000 short tons, or 4.8 per cent more than in the corresponding sugar of 1926-27, and 21.1 per cent greater than in 1923-24. The gain is largely attributable to increased consumption in Europe, where both production and imports have advanced. Europe's total consumption in 1927-28 was 40.5 per cent greater than in 1923-24. Small increases took place in Asia, Africa, and Australia. Sugar consumption in North and South America during this period expanded in a considerably smaller degree.

MYERS-CAERNO

Announcement was made at the Sigma Kappa dinner dance given at the Madison Club Saturday evening of the engagement of Miss Margaret Caverno, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Xenophon Caverno, Canalou, Mo., to Samuel P. Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs Peter Myers, Racine, Wis.

Miss Caverno, a member of Sigma Kapp sorority, will be graduated from the university this year.

Mr. Myers is a graduate of Ripon college and of the University of Wisconsin Law School. He is affiliated with Acacia and Phi Alpha Delta fraternities. At present he is practicing law in Racine.

The abve announcement appeared in the Sunday, April 28 edition of the Wisconsin State Journal, Madison Miss Caverno is attending the University of Wisconsin.

A mocking brid was making monkeys out of a dozen or more other songsters Sunday night late. Said bird made a noise which more resembled a blue jay than blue jays ordinarily produce. Whether or not this particular entertainer de luxe acquired his ability to imitate and surpass anything from a sparrow's glutteral chirp to the silver throated warble of a canary or whether it is a gift of the gods we cannot say, but few things in life have given more pleasure.

CITY ASKED FOR $100 ARKOMA FUND

A Sikeston quota of $100 was askfor at the second annual convention of the Arkoma Highway Association meeting in Okmulgee, Okla., recently. The Association hopes to be able to route East and West traffic from Cairo through Sikeston and into Oklahoma on its way to the coast.

Other features of the Okmulgee meeting were the following:

Provision was made for the immediate publication of at least fifty thousand copies of a strip map and log of the highway to be apportioned to various twons along the route in the ration of 500 maps for each $100 subscription to the association fund.

The maps are to be delivered with the back blank in order that each town, if it so desires, may deliver them to their local printer for additional advertising of the town or locality.

Harrison, Ark., was selected as the place for the 1929 fall meeting of the Association.

Towns in Southeast Missouri and Arkansas and their respective budget quotas are as follows:

Mammoth Spring	$100
Hardy	100
Willifred	25
Imboden	100
Pocahontas	100
Biggers & Reyno	50
Corning	100
Neelyville	25
Poplar Bluff	100
Dexter	50
Sikeston	100
Charleston	50
Cairo	250

Acording to E. B. Guthrey, this is a "we" and not a personal undertaking and the degree of success we attain is going to depend largely upon the degree of co-operation and prompt action of the membership of the association.

If you give us your prompt co-operation now, we believe that we can confidently promise you real results during the coming summer and fall months.

DEEDS RECORDED IN NEW MADRID COUNTY

Peples Bank of Morehouse to Morehouse Trust Co.: All of lot No 6 in block 14 in City of Morehouse, $5000.

Thomas Grace nad wife to Morton E. Freeman and Clare Undle, his daughter, all of lots 3 and 4 in block 8 in Webb and Hyde's addition to City of Parma. $800.

Ludcik Dvorak and wife to Hugh Ritchie: 71.60 acres, more or less, the S 1-2 of the NW 1-4 of Sec. 25, Twp.21, range 10, except 10 acres more or less. $1 and other valuable consideration.

J. M. Hill et al to Royal E. Alsup and wife: All of lots 7 and 8, block 10 of the original town of Mathews $750.

Meyer Albert Grocery Co. to Oliver Owens: All lot 26, block 45, all in Barnes addition to town of Marston $1 and other valuable consideration. John Blake et al to H. M. Ford: All lot 13 block 5 of Himmelberger-Harrison Lbr. Co. 2nd addition to Risco. $1 and exchange of property.

H. M. Ford and wife to John Blake et al: Lot 2 block 10 Himmelberger-Harison addition to village of Risco $1 and exchange of property.

Sallie May James to Lee James: Lot 3 in block 15 in original town of Portageville. All that part of a lot lyin E of said above described lot 3 and W of the public road in block 15 in original town of Portageville. $1 and other valuable consideration.

Leon F. Swartz and wife to E. A. Schmidt: All of lots 4, 5 and .., blk. 9 in the original town of Mathews, and all improvements thereon. $1.00 and other valuable consideration.

W. W. Largeant and wife to J. V. Marr: All of the S 1-2 of lots 11 and 12 in block 2 in the original town of Portageville. $1.00.

W. W. Largent and wife to J. V. Marr: All their undivided interest in and to S 1-2 of lots 11 and 12 in blk 2 in DeLisle's First Adition to City of Portageville. $1.0.—New Madrid Record.

HOLDER-COWELL

Otis Cowell of Kewanee and Miss Opal Holder of Sikeston, Mo., were united in marriage Wednesday morning in the County Clerk's office in this city by 'Squire Peter Smith which was witnessed by several cunty officials and visitors at the Court House.

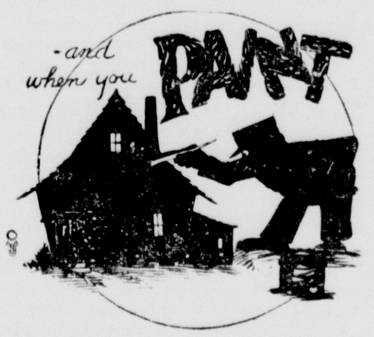
Mr. and Mrs. Wade Tucker and family moved from Sikeston Monday and are now occupying their residence in the northwest part of the city, which they purchased about a month ago and have had completely remodeled.—New Madrid Record.

Phillips Petroleum Company opened station in Ozark recently.

NEXT WEEK IS

CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP WEEK

FOR SIKESTON



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A FEW RULES ON CARE OF MEAT IN SUMMER

With the advent of summer the housewife should keep in mind a few simple precautions in caring for the family supply of meat, and particularly that which is purchased on Saturday to use over the week-end. The meat is in good condition when it arrives from the market and the housewife can maintain it in this condition if she will follow these few rules laid down by the National Live Stock and Meat Board.

As soon as the meat arrives home, is thould be unwrapped and placed in a clean refrigerator. The reason is this: When the meat is wrapped up at the shop a certain amount of air is enclosed in the paper. This air is the same temperature as the air of the shop. If the paper os not removed the cold air of the refrigerator is prevented from reaching the meat. Consequently the surface of the meat spoils.

Meat, as well as every other food, should be protected from contamination.

After meat is cook there is frequently a large piece left over and it sometimes happens that the housewife puts this into the refrigerator while it is still warm. This is not a good practice because the warm meat heats the air of the refrigerator so that other foods may be impaired, and also because a large piece of meat will often cool thoroughly on the surface but the niner portion may spoil because it does not become cood. Warm meat should be cooled at room temperature before putting it in the refrigerator.

Why are dried fruits soaked before cooking? Soaking restores the water lost in drying.

Seed Corn

It pays to plant good Seed. Seed Corn costs only about 35c per acre and it does not pay to plant cheap seed.

I offer HAND SELECTED and GRADED corn ready for the planter:

St. Charles Red Cob White, per bu.	$2.50
Leaming Yellow or St. Charles Yellow, per bu.	$2.50
90-Day Yellow, per bu.	$2.50
Half and Half Cotton Seed, Tennessee grown 43% turnout, per 100 lbs.	$5.00

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When it's up to a man to select a gift, he most often delays until the last minute and then he still finds it difficult to decide. Our special service in this particular is a real life saver, since it assures the selection of a gift certain to please. We welcome you to make use of this service.

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SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY AT SIKESTON, MISSOURI

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Display advertising, per single column inch, net 25c
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Yearly subscription in Scott and the adjoining counties $1.50
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the United States $2.00

HEDGES, HORSES AND ASSES

Dick Swanner is blue very blue, and for a good reason. Farmers who drive to town in lumber and farm wagons have the habit of late of allowing their teams to roam at will in the small vacant lot between the City Hall and the Welsh bulid-ing. The result is that over-ambitious Missouri mules have succeeded in ambling over to Dick's hedge and mutilating it. One of several things might be done, the farmers in question might provide enough hay and corn to satisfy the appetites of their animals while in town so that the pride and joy of the City Hall keeper—the hedge—be not eaten; the Police Judge and his force might, of course, act as Guardians of the Hedge—they won't, but they might—or the farmers could be instructed to tie their teams elsewhere. One thing is certain in the estimation of Dick Swanner and a number of Sikeston folks who take pride in the appearance of the city, and that is that Privet Hedge, while they may make good horse feed, were not intended for that purpose.

The editor drove over every section of Sikeston a few days ago with Commissioner Lon Swanner and was much pleased to see the splendid condition of the streets of the city. Streets have been opened and graded in the new High School addition that opens some very desirable lots for residence purposes. Cross streets from North Ranney have been graded for the first time. Streets in the Ned Mathews addition have been put into fine condition, as well as those of the Chamber of Commerce Addition. In this last named addition, those streets that were oiled last summer have held solid through the winter which shows the city was on the right track when no money was available for gravel or hard streets. The streets of Ward Two, Three and Four have been trimmed by the grader, gutters cleaned and surface sewers put in as good condition as possible. Swanner certainly has accomplished wonders with his street crew and every taxpayer owes them a debt of gratitude for services rendered.

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Citizens of Charleston are displeased with present arrangements to handle U. S. mail from Poplar Bluff to Charleston. The Missouri Pacific Railroad recently discontinued the only train, and supplanted that service with a bus line. Mail service has been delayed through this arrangement, the citizens state.

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"A kiss", says Sentimental Stella, "is the shortest distance between two parties".—Post-Dispatch.

Echoes of the Hoover Message

Chicago—The following article is a reprint of an editorial appearing in a recent issue of the Chicago Evening Post:

The message of President Hoover to the special session of Congress brought a number of unexpected developments in its wake. Most important of all from the farm viewpoint was a sharp dip in the prices of grain, due mostly to "selling on the good news"—a familiar occurrence in the stock market—and a series of denunciations by the most extreme among the group of farm relief legislators.

In this connection, a point raised by Frank L. Schreiner, Chicago Board of Trade operator, is worth considering. After calling attention to Senator Capper's "sensational complaint that Kansas has 40,000,000 bushels of wheat on hand", he recalled certain incidents that took place about a year ago.

At that time a sudden improvement in weather conditions, with its implication of a larger crop yield, bro't about a sharp decline in wheat prices. Senator Capper promptly asserted that speculators had cost the Kansas farmers millions of dollars. His attack was followed by a statement from Secretary of Agriculture Jardine, who, in sympathy and in many of his activities, was aligned with the farm bloc in Congress, urging the farmers to hold their wheat.

What followed is now agricultural history. The farmers responded to their political leaders by holding their grains in storage. The Canadian wheat pool took advantage of the situation to market a part of their surplus abroad as quickly as possible American wheat exports for 1928 were 51,234,000 bushels lower than in 1927 as a result, and Kansas—upon the authority of the latest Capper statement—is now "long" some 40,000,000 bushels of wheat carried over from last year. And the winter wheat crop is in far better condition at present than in 1928.

The connection between the huge carry-on of old wheat in Kansas and the Jardine advice seems unmistakable. With this example of snap judgment by the political farmer element and its results before him, the grain grower will do well to stand by the Hoover farm relief program, which offers a greater probability of success because it places thoroughness and accuracy of information among its very important preliminaries.

Air the matress by drawing it over the footboard of the bed and opening all windows for an hour.

A flower cut in the morning will last twice as long as one cut later in the day when the sun is shining on it.

One of the most important industries in Doniphan is the Wright Gravel Co., owned and operated by Miss Dorothy Wright. The concern has been employing a large number of workmen, filling contracts for the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. and other concerns from the pits on Current River. A night shift has been drawing gravel from the pit for the past two weeks, and an average of 20 carloads are shipped from Doniphan each day. Miss Wright, who personally manages the industry plans to re-arrange the equipment so as to increase the output to from 30 to 35 cars daily.

HIGHWAY DEPT. TO PAINT MAIL BOXES

Jefferson City, April 29.—Another step towards Highway beautification was undertaken when the Highway Department instructed its division engineers to paint all mail boxes, racks and standards with guard-rail white paint. Details of the proposition as announced by T. H. Cutler, chief engineer, follow:

The attractiveness of the State Highway depends much upon the detailed treatment of adjoining properties as well as the general scenic view. A small detail not properly cared for is apt to mar the entire picture.

Such is the case when mail boxes are improperly erected on crooked broken, decayed, or leaning posts. The dilapidated appearance of a roadside utility detracts very much from the otherwise good impression made by the general scenery along the road The State Highway Department has realized the truth in this fact and has had under consideration, since the beginning of its maintenance work, the proper erection and care of mail boxes along the State highways.

In September, 1925, the postmasters of all towns and cities in this State were asked to co-operate with the Highway Department in having mail boxes placed at specified locations along the highway, with a view to offering the least interference with the operation of maintenance machinery. Since then a campaign has been carried on continually to secure such suitable location and also the proper erection of the boxes.

Instructions are now being issued by the Bureau of Maintenance to all the division engineers of the department to paint, with guard-rail white paint, all mail boxes, racks, standards, or posts, wherever they have been installed on State highways in accordance with our plans and suggestions.

We feel that a decided forward step will have been taken in the highway beautification program when al mail boxes are thus properly erected and painted white. Such mail boxes will not then detract the attention of the automobile driver from the road ahead, nor will they prevent his observing our standard signs and markers.

The department's plans provide that all posts or standards supporting mail boxes shall be set at least 18" beyond the outer edge of the ditch line, except on embankments where they need be placed 18" beyond the shoulder line of the road. Mail boxes may project 18" inside the shoulder line toward the center of the roadway, but they must be attached to posts in such a manner that they can be easily and quickly moved out of the way of maintenance equipment during its operation on the road surface or the side ditches. The standard or post, on which the mail box is to rest, should be implanted deep enough in the ground to prevent it from eventually leaning or falling over.

The community mail box rack is recommended for locations where two or more mail boxes are used at corners of intersecting roads or streets. A large number of mail boxes can be placed on the same standard and thus do away with the individual post for each box. On request, the State Highway Department will gladly furnish sketches showing simple and inexpensive methods for mail box erection. It should be noted that there is only one stipulation that the department specifies as a requisite to its painting the mail boxes and that is they all ,at any one location, must be erected to our standard. It would be useless to have one or two mail boxes mar the effectiveness of others.

We believe that, in undertaking to paint and repaint the mail boxes on the State Highways, the department is rendering a service of convenience, comfort, and safety to the traveling public. We are sure that this service will add much to the pleasing effect of our State Highways.

The Highway Department is taking the initiative in this very practical step of improving the roadside appearance by thus assuming the task of painting all mail box racks, standards, or posts, that have been erected in accordance with our plans or suggestions. The owners of the mail boxes can, with very little expense and effort, place their mail boxes in condition for painting. Their co-operation is desired by the Highway Department.

Civic clubs, individuals, city and county organizations which are now or may be in the future, sponsoring the beautification movement in their community, have not only an opportunity at hand, but a responsibility to meet in securing the co-operation of property owners along the highways and their acceptance of the standards set up by the State Highway Department. To such organizations we make the appeal that their programs for this year include this very practical and progressive step.

CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP PROCLAMATION

Get Ready For The Outdoor Months!

Let us make our city as clean and orderly as the cleanest homes. Our citizens have the ambition and the ability to achieve that ideal, through everybody's co-operation. Therefore the week of

May 6 to 11 Inclusive

Is hereby designated and proclaimed as the Week of Thorough Campaign to Clean Up and Reduce Fire and Disease Risks.

Away with winter rubbish! Cut the weeds! Banish the plague spots! Clean the yards, the streets and alleys. Clean out the attics and cellars. Repair everything about your building that needs it, and use paint and disinfectant liberally to keep things clean and orderly and protected. Our city needs all this cleaning and caretaking right now far more than ever before.

This is everybody's job. Every man, woman and child is invited and expected to help. Let there be no slackers.

The city has arranged with truck drivers to call at your place and remove all rubbish and trash that you collect. They will make a charge and you will be expected to pay same at the time of removal. Every citizen must heed this proclamation for if they disregard it the city will have the work done and you will have to pay the entire bill.

Phone No. 9 and tell the City Clerk when your debris is ready.

N. E. FUCHS, Mayor

The Cleanest City Is The Safest City Against Fire And Disease. Give Heed!

JONES WANTS HIS DRY LAW APPLIED TO SHIP TOURISTS

Washington, April 29.—Senator Wesley L. Jones of Washington wants to know why the law which fixes penalties of five years in prison and fines of $10,000 for prohibition violators is not being enforced against tourists who bring liquor into the United States from foreign countries.

Saying he had only recently been told that persons found with liquor in their possesion on landing from foreign ports are usually fined $5 for each bottle, he declared he intended to take up the matter with the Treasury Department. He said he did not know of any authority under which the department's customs service could pursue such a policy, and would ask whether it is being done, if so, why, and further, why such cases are not prosecuted under the Jones law.

Miss E. L. Foster, a British woman, competing at Bisley, England, recently made a new world's record rifle score of 105. Shooting at 200 yards she scored 35, another 35 at 500, and a third 35 at 600.

Jake Goldstein, who recently purchased the old laundry building near the ice plant, has installed powerful shears in the building and is cutting up scrap iron for shipment. By cutting the iron in short lengths, more of it can be packed in a car and it brings a better price on the market.

EXCESSIVE RAINS HURT CENTRAL MISSOURI CROPS

Boonville, April 29.—Excessive rains in Central Msisouri for the past two weeks, especially late last week, have set farmers far behind in their work with every prospect of a backward season ahead. Before the heavy rain, accompanied by hail, last week, the farmers were at least two weeks behind in seasonal work, and now it will be impossible for any field work within another week—good weather provided. This is according to reports from farmers throughout Central Missouri.

Some Howard County farmers located in the low bottoms have almost despaired of getting in a crop of corn. In the first place, it was a wet winter, which gave the soil lots of moisture deep into the ground. Then the spring turned out to be wet, and now the latest "soaker", to say nothing of surface water in the flats, have made the situation critical. Many of the farmers in this section plant corn during the latter part of April and the first of May, and in numerous cases it takes these same farmers 30 days to prepare the seed beds, inundating wheat fields already yellow with too much moisture and too little sunshine.

Sherman Patterson, 20, a farmer near Poplar Bluff, stepped from a moving tractor, walked around in front to adjust the machinery, fell to the ground and was run over by the tractor. He was taken to a hospital at Poplar Bluff for treatment. His condition is serious.

Fairmount—Fairmount Park will be opened May 11.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector of the Revenue in and for the County of Scott in the State of Missouri,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Chaffee Building & Investment Company, a corporation, Sylvester Mosley, Willie Mosley, C. P. Reissaus, Trustee, J. W. Ingram,

Defendants,

In the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri,

To the August Term, 1929.

No. 3860

Suit For Back Taxes.

Now on this 25th day of March, 1929, comes the Plaintiff herein by attorney, H. C. Blanton, and shows to the Court that heretofore and on the 20th day of October, 1928, the Plaintiff filed his petition herein and summons was issued to the Defendants herein and delivered to the Sheriff, returnable to the March Term, 1929, of this Court; and that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this Court, the Sheriff made return of said Summons; "that the defendants Sylvester Mosley, Willie Mosley and Chaffee Building & Investment Company, a corporation, cannot be Found"; and the Court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on said Defendants;

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE COURT, That the Defendants, Chaffee Building & Investment Company, a corporation, Sylvester Mosley and Willie Mosley, be notified by publication that the Plaintiff herein has commenced an action against them in this Court, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the payment and the lien of the Plaintiff for State and County Taxes for the years of 1923, 1924 and 1925, in the sum of $83.71, and interest and costs, against the following described real estate, to-wit:

All of Lot No. 7 in Block No. 21 of the Original Town of Chaffee, Scott County, Missouri.

And unless said Defendants be and appear at the next regular term of this Court, to be holden at the Court House in the Town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, on the Second Monday in August, next, 1929, and then and there, on or before the first day of said term, before the judge of said Court, answer or plead to plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly as prayed for in Plaintiff's petition and said property sold to satisfy the judgment and the lien of the Plaintiff.

It is further ordered by the Court, that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published in Scott County, Missouri, to be published once a week for four successive weeks, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the said August Term, 1929, of this Court, to which this cause is continued.

A true copy from the record.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I (SEAL) have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, done at the office in Benton, Missouri, this 8th day of April, 1929.

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CHAPTER IV

It is said that there comes a day in the life of every handler of bad horses when he will mount one and ride him out, master him and dismount—and forever after decline to ride another. Riley Foster was evidence of this. For three years Rile and Bangs had been inseparable, riding together on every job, and the shaggy youth topped off the animals in Foster's string before the older man would mount them. As Bangs went about his work his faded blue eyes were ever turned toward the Three Bar boss who stood in the door of the blacksmith shop.

The girl was vaguely troubled as she noted this. Bangs and Foster had returned for their second season at the Three Bar. All through the previous summer the boy had evidenced his silent adoration, his eyes following her every move.

The scene round Billie was one of strenuous activity, every effort bent toward whipping the remuda into shape for the calf round-up in the least possible space of time.

Green horses were led out, one after another, to be saddled for the first time, and those previously broken required a few workouts to knock the wire edge off their unwillingness to carry a rider after a winter of freedom on the range.

Three men were shoeing horses tied to snubbing posts at ten-yard intervals before the shop. One animal that had fought viciously against this treatment had been thrown and stretched, his four feet roped to convenient posts, and while he struggled and heaved on the ground Rile Foster calmly fitted and nailed the shoes on him. Cal Harris finished shoeing the colt he was working.

"That's the last touch," he said. "My string is all set to go."

"You have five colts gentled for your circle bunch," she said. "But you didn't pick a single cow horse. The boys have sorted out the best ones and the few that are left won't answer for a man that insists on a gentled string."

"Creamer and Calico will do for me," he said. "I broke them myself and maybe I can worry along."

"Did you break them like that?" she asked. Bangs was topping a horse that strenuously refused to be conquered and as they looked on the animal threw himself.

"Like that? Well, no—not precisely," Harris said. "They're not breaking horses. They're proving that they're bronc-peelers that can ride 'em before they're broke. A horse started out that way will be a bronc till the day he dies."

Three men were lashing their bed rolls and war bags on three pack horses and when this task was completed they rode down the lane, each one leading his pack animal. Harris

Bangs Was Topping a Horse That Strenuously Refused to Be Conquered.

knew this as evidence that they would start after the calves on the following day. The custom was to exchange representatives to ride with each wagon within a reasonable distance, the reps to look after the interest of the brand for which they rode.

"How many reps do you trade?" he asked.

"Three," she said. "Halfmoon D, V L and with Slade."

The Halfmoon D lay some fifteen miles eastward along the foot of the hills; the V L the same distance to the west, but cached away in a pocket that led well back into the base of the range, a comparatively small outfit owned by the Brandons, father and four sons, who made every effort to keep the bulk of their cows ranging in their own home basin and exchanged reps only with the Three Bar.

Slade's home place lay forty miles south and a little west and his cows grazed for over a hundred miles, requiring three wagons to cover his range.

During the afternoon the three reps came in to replace the men who had left. The surplus horses had been cut out and thrown back on the range, only those required for the remuda remaining in the pasture lot. The chuck wagon was wheeled before the cookhouse door and packed for an early start. Before the first streaks of dawn the men had saddled and breakfasted. It was turning gray in the east when four horses, necessitating the attentions of four men, were hooked to the wagon. A man hung on the bit of each wheel horse while another grasped the bits of the lead team as Waddles made on last hasty trip inside.

"This will be a rocky ride for a mile or two," he prophesied, as he mounted the seat and braced himself. "These willow-tails haven't had on a strap of harness for many a month. All set. Turn loose!"

The men stepped back and the four horses hit the collars raggedly. One wheel horse reared and jumped forward. The off leader dropped his head and pitched, shaking himself as if struggling to unseat a rider, then the four settled into a jerkey run and the heavy wagon clattered and lurched down the lane.

The wrangler, whose duty it was to tend the horse herd by day, and the nighthawk who would guard it at night sat on their horses at the far end of the corral and urged the herd out as the gates swung back. The remuda streamed down the valley, the two first riders swinging wide to either flank while the nighthawk and wrangler brought up the rear.

Shortly before noon the wagon was halted in a broad bottom threaded by a tiny spring-fed stream. The teams were unhitched; mounts were unsaddled and thrown into the horse herd, which was then headed into the mouth of a branching draw and allowed to graze. Waddles dumped off the bed rolls that were piled from the broad lowered tail-gate to the wagon top and each man sorted out his own and spread it upon some spot which struck him as a likely ber ground.

It was not long before Waddles was dispensing nourishment from the lowered tail-gate, ladling food and hot coffee into the plates and cups which the men held out to him. They drew away and sat cross-legged on the ground. The meal was almost finished when six horsemen rode down the valley and pulled up before the wagon.

"What's the chance for scraps?" the leader asked.

"Step down," Waddles invited. "And throw a feed in you. She's still a-steaming."

Four of the men differed in no material way from the Three Bar men in appearance. The fifth was a ruffian with little forehead, a face of gorilla cast, stamped with brute ferocity and small intelligence. The last of the six was a striking figure, a big man with pure white hair and brows, his pale eyes peering from a red face.

"The roasted albino is Harper, our leading bad man in these parts," Evans remarked to Harris. "And the human ape is Lang; Fisher, Coleman, Barton and Canfield are the rest. Nice layout of murderers and such."

Harper's men ate unconcernedly, conscious that they were marked as men who had violated every law on the calendar, but knowing also that no man would take exceptions to their presence on that general ground alone, and as they had neared the wagon each man had scanned the faces of the round-up crew to make certain that there were none among them who might bear some more specific and personal dislike.

The Three Bar men chatted and fraternized with them as they would have done with the riders of any legitimate outfit. Harper praised the food that Waddles tendered them.

Billie Warren forced a smile as she nodded to them, then moved off and sat upon a rock some fifty yards from the wagon, despising the six men who ate her fare and inwardly raging at the conditions which forced her to extend the hospitality of the Three Bar to men of their breed whenever they chanced by.

Harris strolled over and sat down facing her, sifting tobacco into a brown paper and deftly rolling his smoke.

"Has it been on your mind—what I was telling you a few nights back, about how much I was loving you?" he asked.

"You had your chance to prove it by going away," she said, "and refused; so why bring it up again? The next two years will be hard enough without my having to listen to that."

"Our families must have been real set on throwing us together," he observed. "I was cut off without a dime myself—unless I spent two full years on the Three Bar."

She was angry with herself for believing him sincere, for being convinced that he, too, as he had several times intimated, was tied in much the same fashion as herself. The explanation came to her in an illuminating flash. The elder Harris must have nursed a lifelong enmity against her father, who had believed him the most devoted friend on earth.

She had often heard the tale of how her parent had, in all friendliness, followed old Bill Harris step by step from Dodge City to the Platte, to old Fort Laramie and finally to the present Three Bar range. Perhaps the one so followed had felt that Cal Warren was but the hated symbol of the whole clan of squatters who had driven him from place to place and eventually forced him to relinquish his hope of seeing the Three Bar brand on a hundred thousand cows; that his friendliness had been simulated, his vindictiveness nursed and finally consummated by leaving his affairs in such fashion that his son must carry on the work his trickery had begun.

Harris resumed where he had broken off.

"And I'd have tossed it off, as I told you once, if the Three Bar girl had turned out to be any except you. You've had a tough problem to work out, girl," he said. "I sold out my little Box L outfit for more than it was worth—and figured to stop the leak at the Three Bar and put the old brand on its feet."

His calm assurance on this point exasperated the girl.

"How?" she demanded. "What can you do?" She pointed toward the six men near the wagon. "During the time you spent prowling the hills did you ever come across those men?"

"Not to pal round with them," he confessed. "But I did cut their trail now and then. They're not the outfit that's going to be hardest to handle when the time arrives."

"What do you mean?" she asked. "No one has ever been able to handle them up to date."

"Did it ever strike you as queer that Slade could come into this country twelve years back, with nothing but a long rope and a running iron, and be owning thirty thousand head today?"

"He has the knack to protect his own and increase," she said. "They're afraid of Slade."

The girl shook her head impatiently and looked across at the six men who ate her fare.

"Look at them," she flared. "Eating my food; and in a few nights they'll be hazing a bunch of Three Bar steers toward the Idaho line. Why doesn't some man that is a man kill that albino fiend and all his whelps and rid the country of his breed? Even Slade lets them put up at his place."

"If they're pestering you I'll order them off," he said.

"And what effect would that have?" she inquired scornfully.

"The effect of causing them to climb their horses and amble off down the country," he returned. He sprawled on the grass, his head propped on one hand as he regarded them.

"Then probably you'd better order them off," she suggested. "You have my permission. Now's your chance to make good the lordly brag of helping the Three Bar out of the hole." She instantly regretted having said it. A dozen times of late she had wondered if she were turning bitter and waspish, if she would ever again be the even-tempered Billie Warren with a good word and a smile for every one.

Harris was, as always, apparently undisturbed by her words. Far down the bottoms she could see a point of light which she knew for a white sign that read: "Squatter, don't let sundown find you here." The man before her had defied these sinister warnings scattered about the range and publicly announced that he would put in hay on his filing, knowing that he was a marked man from the hour he turned the first furrow. Whatever his shortcomings, lack of courage was not one of them.

"I take that back," she said, referring to her words of a few moments before. Harris straightened to a sitting position in his surprise at this impulsive retraction, and as he smiled across at her she divined that this man, seemingly so impervious to her sarcasm, could be easily moved by a single kind word.

"Thanks, Billie," he said. "That was real white of you."

He rose and sauntered toward the wagon and Billie Warren felt a sudden clutch of fear as he halted before Harper and she realized that he had taken her words literally and intended ordering them off.

"I've been made temporary foreman of the Three Bar—just so the boss could try me out on that job for an hour or two," he remarked conversationally. "So I'm putting in a new rule that goes into effect right off. When you boys ride away, in a few minutes from now, you can tell folks that the grub line is closed as far as the Three Bar is concerned."

Lang took a half-step toward him, his face reflecting his gathering rage as his slow brain comprehended the fact that this speech was but another way of announcing that he and his men would find no welcome at the Three Bar from that moment on. Harper caught his arm and jerked him back. The albino was an old hand and could rightly read the signs.

"The gentleman was remarking to me," he said to Lang; "not you." He turned to Harris. "There's no law to make you feed any man," he said. "From now on we'll pay our way—as far as the Three Bar is concerned."

His tones were casual; only his pale eyes, fastened unblinkingly on Harris' face, betrayed his real feeling toward the man who, notwithstanding the roundabout nature of his announcement, had practically ordered him to stay away from the Three Bar for all time.

"But even in the face of that," he resumed, "we'll welcome you any time you happen to ride down our way."

Every man within earshot understood the threat that lay beneath the casual words.

"Then I'll likely drop in some time," Harris said. "If you'll send word where it is. And I'll bring fifty men along."

The albino motioned his men toward their horses and they mounted and rode off down the bottoms. Harris walked back and resumed his seat near the girl, who sat looking at him as if she could not believe what she had just witnessed.

"You see it was just as easy as I'd counted on," he said. "It'll be a considerable saving on food."

"But how did you know?" she asked. "Why is Harper afraid of you?"

"He's not," Harris said. "Not for a single second. But he's an old hand and has left a few places on the jump before he came out here."

"And he thinks you know it!" she guessed.

"He don't care what I know; it's what he knows himself—that the wild bunch is always roosting on the powder can even when it appears like they're sitting pretty—that counts with him. You thought I was taking a fool chance of outgaming him. In reality I was taking almost an unfair advantage of him, providing he had the brains he must possess to have lived to his age."

She could find no ready-made answer to this surprising statement.

"Don't you know that the albino will kill you for that?" she asked.

"Not unless he can stage it as a personal quarrel," he said. "He'll never follow it up as coming out of what happened today by taking it out on me as temporary foreman of the Three Bar—for ordering him off. There's a good majority of folks that don't relish seeing Harper's bunch ride up—that feed them through policy. But whenever you make it plain to a man that he's compelled to do a thing whether he likes it or not it's ten to one he'll balk out of sheer human pride. If Harper kills the Three Bar foreman on the grounds that he refused to feed all his men—why then, right off, every foreman and owner within a hundred miles starts to resenting the possibility that maybe the albino feels the same way toward him. Harper knows that."

"But if your theory had been wrong?" she persisted. "What then?"

"Then," he said, "then there'd have been h—l and repeat. I wasn't just acting as me, a personal affair, but, as I took pains to remark aloud, as the foreman of the Three Bar. Every Three Bar man would have gone into action the second Harper made a move at me. You know that— and Harper knew it."

She realized the soundness of this statement. The one unalterable code of the country, a code that had been fostered till it eclipsed all others, decreed that a man should be loyal to the brand for which he rode. The whole fabric of the cow business was based on that one point.

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"But now they'll work their deviltry all the stronger against the Three Bar," she predicted. "They could wreck us if they tried. You couldn't get a conviction in five years. Not a man would testify against one of Harper's outfit."

"Then we'll put on a fighting crew and hold them off," he said. "But that's not the layout that will be hardest to handle in the long run. Slade is the one real hard nut for the Three Bar to crack. He can work it a dozen different ways and you couldn't prove one of them on him to save your soul. He's one smooth hombre—Slade."

Harris rose and headed for his bed roll and the girl sought the shelter of her teepee for a rest. Her mind was busily going over the events of the day. She reflected that Cal Harris was at least possessed of self-confidence and that procrastination was certainly not to be numbered among his failings. It came to her that his interests for the present were identical with her own. As half-owner in the Three Bar it would be as much to his advantage as to her own to build it up. Waddle's warped legs prevented his acting as foreman on the job and it might be that the other man would find some way to prevent the leak that was sapping the life from the Three Bear. His half-ownership entitled him to the place. Billie Warren loved her brand and her personal distrust of Harris was submerged in the hope that his sharing the full responsibility with herself might be a step toward putting it back on the old-time plane of prosperity.

She fell asleep with the crooning voice of the nighthawk drifting to her ears.

It seemed but a few fleeting moments before Waddle's voice roused her.

"Roll out!" he bawled. "Feet in the trough!"

There was instant activity, the jingle of belts and spurs and in five minutes every man was fully clothed and splashing at the creek. It was showing rose and gray in the east when the meal was finished.

When most of the men were mounted Billie urged Papoose over near Harris' horse.

"Do you know how to throw a circle?" she asked.

"After a fashion," he said. "I've bossed one or two in the past."

"Then we'd better be of," she suggested. "Since you're the Three Bar foreman its for you to say when.

"I only pre-empted that job for ten minutes or so," he explained with evident embarrassment. "You surely didn't think I was trying to boost myself into the foreman's job for keeps?"

"No," she said. "But you're half-owner—and you can handle men. I'm giving you free rein to show what you can do."

Harris straightened in his saddle and motioned to the men.

"Let's go!" he ordered, and headed his horse for the left-hand flank of the valley. They ascended the first slopes,

They Ascended the First Slopes.

picked a long ridge and followed it to the crest of the low divide between that valley and the next. As they reached the head of the first draw that led back down into the valley Harris waved an arm.

"Carp," he called, and a middle-aged man named Carpenter, abbreviated to Carp, wheeled his horse from the group and headed down the draw.

A half-mile farther on they reached the head of another gulch.

"Hanson!" the new foreman called, and the man who repped for the Half-moon D dropped out. One man was detailed to work each draw and when some five miles up the divide there were but half the crew left. The foreman led the way to the opposite divide and doubled back, sending a man down every gulch.

Harris and the girl worked the last draw themselves and when they drove their cows out of the mouth of it they found a herd already milled, two hundred yards above the wagon. Harris left her and circled the bunch, estimating it.

When the last rider appeared with his bunch and threw it into the herd Harris signaled all hands to change mounts. Half the men repaired to the rope corral and caught up cow horses while the balance of the crew held the herd, each one relieving some other as soon as he had saddled a fresh horse.

A sagebrush fire was burning fifty yards above the wagon and each man rode past it, leaned from his saddle and dropped his running iron in the flame.

The men worked round the edge of the bunch and slipped a noose on every calf that was thrown to the edge of the constantly shifting mass. Morrow roped the first calf and dragged it to the fire.

As much as she loved the round-up, many times as she had seen it, Billie Warren had never become calloused to the brutalities perpetrated on the calves. She withdrew and sat in the shade of the wagon. She was downwind and the dust raised by the trampling hoofs floated down to her, mingled with the odor of steaming cows, the acrid smoke of the sage fire and the taint of scorched hair and flesh.

In a short space of time the herd had been worked, the last calf branded, and Harris led the men up the bottoms. Five miles up the valley, at the spot where he had crossed it a few hours before, they found the wagon waiting at the new stand, the corral refashioned and the remuda inside it. It was but ten o'clock but the first circle had commenced at four. The noon meal on the round-up was served whenever the first circle was completed. The men fell ravenously on the hot meal, changed to fresh circle horses and started again.

It was falling dusk when the herd gathered in the third circle had been worked and the last calf branded for the day.

At the end of the first week out from the ranch Harris pulled up his horse beside the girl's and showed her his tally book.

"We've run Slade's mark on more calves than we have our own," he said. "That's one way he works.'

"But that's not his fault and it doesn't mean anything," she said. "His cows are sure to drift. This first strip we've worked is the southernmost edge of our range and his north wagon works the strip right south of us. We're sure to find a number of his cows. As we double back on our next lap we'll not find the same proportion."

"Not quite—but plenty," he predicted. "We've marked more calves for Slade in one week than all his three wagon crews will mark for the Three Bar in a year. The first three weeks of each season your men do a little more work for Slade than they do for you. It's a safe bet that the Halfmoon D does the same, and so on through every brand that joins his range. That puts him way off ahead."

"But that is pure accident," she said.

"It's pure design," he stated. "His boys are busy shoving his cows from the middle all ways so that when fall comes he has a good inside block that's only been lightly fed over. They fall back on that for winter feed. Last winter, when cows were dying like rats, his men were out drifting Slade's stuff back toward his middle range."

"That's true enough," she admitted. "But—"

"But you thought he was doing it as a favor to you——getting his surplus off your territory so your own cows would have a better chance. That's the same kind of talk he floated all round the line; playing the benevolent neighbor when in reality the old pirate had deliberately planned, year after year, to overcrowd your range and feed you out."

"But his men would know," she objected

"Not many of them would grasp the whole scheme of it," he said. "You hadn't thought of it yourself, and what if a few of them did surmise? They're riding for his brand."

The girl nodded. That unalterable code again—the religion of being loyal to one's brand. Not one of Slade's men would balk at doing it knowingly; each would do anything to advance his interests as long as he drew his pay from Slade.

As they talked Harris detailed men for each draw but when they reached the point where they were due to drop down and cross the valley he pulled up his horse.

"You take the rest of the circle, Carp," he instructed Carpenter. "I'm going to ride off up the rise a piece." The girl regarded him curiously. No less than three times in the last week he had stopped midway of the circle and asked her to complete it. Now he had turned it over to Carp and he signaled her to remain with him.

"Where are we going?" she asked as she watched the men ride down toward the bottoms. "And why?"

"Back the way we came," he said. "And maybe I can show you why."

He headed back the divide they had just followed until he came to the saddle at the head of a draw that led down to the valley. Far below them they could see a rider hazing a bunch of cows out into the bottoms. High on the right-hand slope of the gulch lay a notch, a little blind basin watered by the seepage from a side-hill spring, and there on the green bed of it a dozen cows with their calves grazed undisturbed. For perhaps five minutes Harris lolled sidewise in the saddle and watched them. Then a rider appeared on the ridge that divided that draw from the next, dropped in below the cows and headed them back over the ridge into the draw from which he had appeared. Even at that distance she recognized this last man as Lanky Evans. Harris resumed his way down the divide and she knew that he had discovered some irregularity for which he had been seeking.

"Who was the man that overlooked those cows?" she asked. "Who worked that draw?"

"Morrow," he said. "His eyesight is getting bad. That's the second time this week—and the last."

"Then Morrow is an inside man for Harper," she said. "Drawing Three Bar pay and working against us, too."

"Yes," he said. "Only he's an inside man for Slade."

"But how could his leaving those calves behind benefit Slade?" she demanded.

"How could it benefit Harper?" he countered. "Can you tell me that?"

She could not and motioned for him to go on.

"None of Harper's men has a brand of his own," he said. "They're living on the move. They can't wait for calves to grow up. The way they work is to run a bunch of beef steers across into Idaho. They'll pick up another bunch there and shove them across the Utah line and repeat by moving a drove of some Utah brand up in here. Only beef steers—quick turning stuff. You know about the reputation of the O V and the Lazy H Four."

She knew all too well. There was a half-feud, a smoldering distrust displayed between cowmen on each side of the three state lines, a triangle of ill feeling. It was current rumor that the O V and the Lazy H Four, ranging far southwest of the Three Bar, would traffic in any steers that came from across either the Utah or Idaho line. In the corner of those states were similar outfits that were receiving stations for rustled stock from the opposite sides. The triangular feud had been fostered to a point where the thieves were immune. Even if a direct complaint should be brought against them they had but to ride across into another state and a sheriff following them would be helpless, the inhabitants resenting this intrusion into their affairs by an officer from another state, truly having no right there, and refusing to aid him even if they did not actually oppose his passage.

"But how would it benefit Slade?" she repeated.

"Why, suppose that Morrow overlooked a nice bunch of Three Bar calves all along this first strip next to Slade's range," Harris said. "Then some Slade rider happens to drop along after our wagon has moved on and he hazes them off south. Later another picks them up and shoves them along another half-day's drive—way beyond where our boys ever work, even beyond the strip covered by Slade's north wagon, the only one that carries a Three Bar rep; what then?"

"The calves would still be with mothers wearing the Three Bar mark," she said. "After they leave the cows they're slicks, fair game for the first man that puts his rope on them—and Slade wouldn't risk running one of his own brands on them before they left the cows."

"Not one of his own, no," Harris said; "only one that's going to be his later on. Did it ever strike you as queer that Slade, whose way is to crush every new outfit, should suffer a soft-hearted streak every year or so and befriend some party that had elected to start up for himself right in the middle of Slade's range? And later buy him out? That's the way he came into nearly every brand he runs. Several of those dinky little owners have moved out right sudden with a dozen riders from some other outfit fanning along close behind; McArthur didn't even get moved, for Brandons went on the war trail before he had time to start. But it transpired that he was all set to go because Slade showed bill of sale for Mac's holdings, dated only the day before. That's how he came to own every one of those brands that match up so close with those of every outfit that overlaps his range."

They had turned their horses down a long ridge that led to the wagon in the bottoms.

"I'll mention to the boys that Morrow sold out the interests of the Three Bar while he was drawing down your pay. They'll pass sentence on him right sudden. Four hours from now they'll have dry-gulched him so far from nowhere that even the coyotes can't find him."

"Not that," she said. "Turn him over to the sheriff. You caught him in the act."

"In the act of missing a few cows on his detail. The sheriff would hold him almost an hour before he let him go."

"Then give him his check and send him off the Three Bar range," she said.

Harris waited till the herd had been worked and the men had gathered round the wagon. Then he handed Morrow a check.

"Here's your time," he said. You can be leaving almost any time now."

Every man knew that Morrow had been caught at some piece of work contrary to the interests of the Three Bar. The discharged hand gave a short ugly laugh.

"As soon as you pussyfooted into the foreman's job I knew it was only a question of time," he said.

"Exactly," Harris returned. "Pack your stuff."

"A foreman has a scattering of a dozen or so men to back him up," Morrow observed with a shrug of one shoulder toward the rest of the men.

Harris turned to the girl.

"I resign for about sixty seconds," he said and swung back toward Morrow; and again all hands noted his queer quartering stand. "I'm not foreman right at this minute," he said. "So if you had anything in particular to address to me in a personal vein you can start now. Otherwise you'd better be packing your stuff."

Morrow turned his back and headed for the rope corral. When he had saddled one horse and packed his effects on another he turned to Evans.

"You helped frame this on me," he said. "I thought I saw you messing over into my detail a few days back. One day right soon I'll run across you again."

"Then I'll take to riding with my head over my shoulder—surveying my back-track," Lanky promised. "Because we'll most likely meet from behind."

Morrow started to snarl an answer, his usual self-repression deserting him, but Harris waved an impatient hand.

"Drag it!" he snapped. "Get moving. If I had my own way we'd lead your horse out from under you—and we will if I ever hear of your turning up on the Three Bar range again."

(Continued Tuesday)

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'EGGS IS EGGS'- BUT NOT FOR HATCHING

"Pigs is pigs", according to the famous story by Ellis Parker Butler and to a great many people eggs is eggs, regardless of the way in which they are to be used. When it concerns eggs for any purpose but hatching, that view may be as good as any other, but eggs for hatching should certainly be selected with extreme care if best results are to be obtained. There is no great mystery about the process of making proper selection. On the contrary, it is a very simple matter. I have seen so much of random selection, however, that I am sure a few pointers on the subject will not be amiss.

First of all, let me say what kind of eggs not to use. Discard all eggs that are small, abnormally large very dirty, irregularly formed and those with cracked, rough, thin or irregular shells. I would especially warn everyone against accepting the common belief that large eggs are best for hatching. Years of careful experimentation and close observation of the work of others has convinced me that the average size egg of regular form and color is the best for hatching. The exact size will vary, of course, with different breeds The same is true of color. Any chicken raiser can easily judge the size of eggs to use according to this advice and detailed instructions are not necessary.

The hatching egg should be sound of shell. It should be smooth, free from uneven or rough spots; should not be mottled or uneven of color; should not be thinner in one part than in another; should not have ridges, bumps, humps or bulges, but should be as near to the true egg shape as possible. A slight unevenness or variation from the ideal shape does not necessarily mean poor hatches, but if the unevenness of whatever kind you may use is very noticeable, better put such eggs aside for market or table use.

Eggs with unusually thin or porous shells are undesirable for hatching. The thin shelled egg is easily broken in turning.

To many people it will come as a surprise when they learn that dirty eggs should not be used. I speak from experience, however, when I say that such is the case. Slightly soiled eggs may be used if they are first carefully cleaned by rubbing lightly with a damp cloth or sponge. If that will not clean them, they should be put aside for other uses. Under no circumstances should eggs be washed thoroughly. The thorough wetting and hard rubbing will destroy nature's protective surface film, thus hastening evaporation of the contents and allowing harmful odors to penetrate the porous shell.

All eggs in any one hatch should be as nearly uniform as possible in size, weight and thickness of shell. They should also be of approximately the same age and from the same variety of fowl. Thin shelled eggs hatch more easily, as a rule, than thick shelled ones. White eggs usually hatch more quickly than darker ones. Leghorn eggs will probably hatch 24 hours sooner than those from Plymouth Rocks. It will, threefore, be easy to see why uniformity in all the ways just mentioned is desirable whenever practicable. If this rule is followed, practicaly all eggs will hatch at or very near the same time, thus far greater chance for complete sucess than would be possible where eggs of widely varying characteristics are mixed together.

I do not recommend the use of pullet eggs for hatching. All breeding hens should be of good size for the breed and from 1 to 2 years of age. If pullets are used at all for breeders, they should be well matured, lay good size eggs and be mated to old roosters.

Another important factor that greatly influences the chances for successful incubation is the relative freshnes of eggs. Those from 1 to 4 or 6 days old show litle difference as to hatching quality, but after that they deteriorate rapidly. This is easily explained. A fresh egg contains just enough water to develop the embryo while it is gradually developing into a chick. As an egg shell is porous, the water will evaporate more or less rapidly, the exact degree depending on the temperature and relative humidity of the place in which the eggs are kept. After that natural internal moisture has passed out of the shell, there is no way on earth restoring it in such a way that it can contribute to the building up of bone, muscle or nerve tissues in the baby chick. Exactly how long eggs may be safely held before their hatching qualities are seriously affected cannot be arbitrarily stated. It is worthy of note, however, that many commercial hatcheries invariably show a very high percentage of eggs successfully hatched in each setting, and they are often set when from 10 to 12 days old.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Mal Waldon of East Prairie were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Miss Edith Hardin arrived Sunday from a two weeks' visit at Portageville.

Mrs. E. M. Ratcliff returned Monday from a visit with her parents in Indiana.

Mrs. Wes Depro and family spent Sunday at La Forge with Mr. and Mrs. Mart Johnson.

Mrs. Kline T. Hope of Cape Girardeau is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Whitton.

Olan Critchlow, Glenn Waters, Misses Deene Whitton and Genevive Dickerman motored to Lilbourn Sunday.

Mesdames G. D. Steele, Albert Deane and Charles Lumsden attended the funeral of Mr. Raidt at New Madrid last week.

The playlette, "Poor Father", given by the Sophomores and Freshmen at the auditorium Friday night, was quite a commendable affair, reflecting much credit on Miss Barry, who directed the play and on those taking part. One of the most entertaining features of the evening, was a negro minstrel and a song by Mrs. Donald Story's pupils in the third and fourth grades. It is safe to say Mrs. Story has no equal in training the little folks.

On May 12, Mother's Day, there will be a program at the Methodist church in the forenoon at about 10:30. We want every mother that can to be there and help to commemorate that day to our mothers, whether they have gone on before or are here. We want to celebrate this day in memory of that dearest of dear friend, our mother. If there are any mothers who have no mode of conveyance and will notify Mrs. W. H. Deane, she will see that they are safely conveyed to the church and back home. We want all the old mothers to come and help the younger mothers by their beloved presence.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Harry Boyd and Martha Roberts, both of Dexter.

Ralph Hawks and Nellie Miles, both of Portageville.

Frank Dye and Hatie A. Beal, both of Sikeston.

Preston Wood of Portageville and Violet Mills of Bertrand

Otis Cowell of Kewanee and Opal Holder of Sikeston.—New Madrid Record.

Bridge will be built across the river at Weldon Spring in near future.

Licking—Interior of Licking Hardware Company's building remodeled.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM BLODGETT

School Notes

The lower grade declamatory contest and upper grade oratorical contest were held in the high school auditorium Tuesday evening April 16. E R. Putnam won first, Glenda Clippard second and Louise Neinstedt and Evelyn Pearman tied for third in the declamatory contest. Philip Williams won first and Marshall Wagoner second in the oratorical contest.

Mary Fern Smith and Philip Williams will represent our grade school in the annual county grade school declamatory and oratorical contest to be held at Benton Friday, May 3.

Jeanette Graham attended the Southeast Missouri spelling match at Cape Girardeau, April 27, as the representative from Scott County. She won the County grade spelling contest April 6. Fletcher Withrow represented the high school in the track meet at Cape Girardeau, April 27. Neither Jeanette nor Fletcher placed in the contests they entered.

Mrs. D. M. Jester is quite sick with malaria fever.

Mrs. J. W. Parker entertained the Woman's Club Thursday.

Mrs. W. H. Bean and son, left last Thursday for Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Mollie Congleton of Morley visited Mrs. Jane Peal this week.

Miss Helen Slinkard spent the week-end at Chaffee with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson of St. Louis visited their parents this week-end.

Mr. Estes of Marquand is acting as depot agent during W. H. Bean's absence.

Dr. F. L. Ogilvie attended the funeral of Mr. Fassit at Charleston, Sunday.

Mrs. E. C. Graham and Mrs. J. T. Huey attended the Eastern Star meeting at Chaffee, Tuesday.

Mrs. Loeb and daughter of Charleston were guests at the E. R. Putnam home, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Poe of Cape Girardeau were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Huey.

Miss Margaret Williams of St. Louis visited her mother, Mrs. J. W. Parker and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Marshall consulted a specialist Sunday at Cape Girardeau about their baby, who is having painful ear trouble.

The Woman's Missionary Society met with Mrs. O. B. Embry, Wednesday. A very interesting meeting "Christ, Our Ideal" is being studied.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Charleston met with the Missionary Society here, Sunday and the Young People of the Methodist church were organized into two societies.

A mass meeting was held at the Methodist church Wednesday evening and a civic club organized to beautify Blodgett. "A thing of beauty is forever a source of pleasure". Let's beautify our town.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Cope entertained several friends from Cape Girardeau Wednesday with a 12:00 o'clock dinner party. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Noland, Mr. and Mrs. Duree Noland and Mrs. Eskel Bradley.

Miss Witt, the County Nurse, gave a very interesting talk on Health in the Home. Other subjects were character building, spiritual significance and future training in the home. Several guests were present besides all the members. The hostess served a delightful spring salad course.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

Sound equipment installed in Orpheum Theatre at Vandalia.

Pleasant Hill—Fourtenth gas well recently brought in at local field.

Novinger—Arctic Coal Company opening mine No. 31.

Vitaphone equipment installed in Star Theatre at Hannibal.

Centralia—Additional machinery installed in Purity Bakery.

Carollton—Carrollton Bakery moved to new building on South Main Street.

Unionville—New owners of Rachford Drug Store making improvements in equipment and interior of building.

Rolla—Local shoe factory increasing production and employing more workmen.

Plans progressing for erection of proposed hotel in Lexington.

Chamberlain Canning Company to establish canning factory at Webb City.

Residents voted in favor of erecting grade school building in Princeton.

Leeton—Peoples Theatre recently opened in this place.

Kennett's postoffice building will be improved this summer.

South St. Louis—Construction started in Mt. Hope Memorial Mausoleum.

Thayer—Local water system extended.

Marceline—itaphone equipment installed at Cantwell Theatre.

Prospects bright for establishment of J. C. Penney Company store in Washington.

Branson—Jewelry store opened in newly completed Nichols Building.

City of Bolivar installed new centrifugal pump to increase water supply.

Louisiana—Missouri Edison Company of Louisiana merged with East Missouri Power & Light Company of Troy.

Section of Ozark Trail between Hlden and Highway No. 50 at Pittsville will be paved in near future.

St. Louis—$2,500,00 warehouse building of J. C. Penney Company recently completed.

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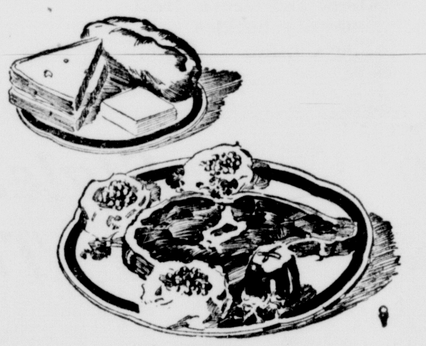

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"Get that coat off and help me put up this bed," she ordered, wearily shoving a stray lock of hair back beneath the towel about her head.

"How do you expect me to be through? I can't clean the upstairs, and spend the best part of the afternoon *downstairs* talking over the telephone, can I? I've been up and down those stairs forty times."

Radford had weathered many spring housecleanings. Wisely, he pulled off his coat and began to roll up his sleeves.

"I think," he observed sympathetically, "that an extension telephone up here in the hall might save steps and ——."

"Then suppose," interrupted his wife grimly, "that you order one for me tomorrow."

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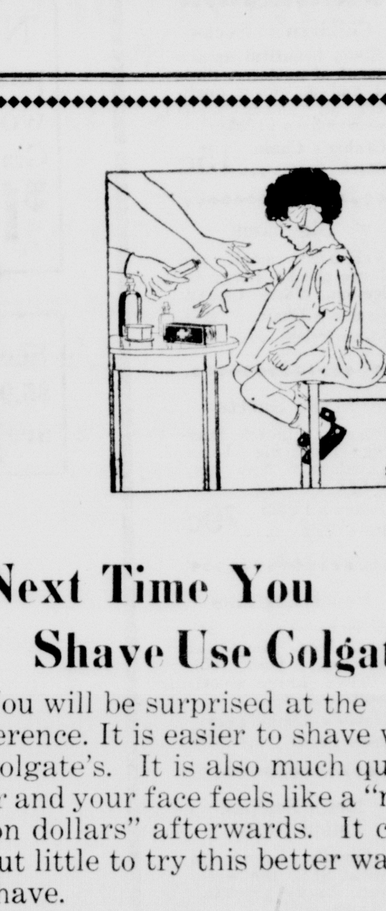

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DES ARC SLAYER BANDIT CAPTURED

Des Arc, Mo., April 30.—Seven hours after he had shot and killed Edmond W. Cook, 60-year-old cashier, in an attempted holdup of the Bank of Des Arc at 3 o'clock this afternoon, Dallas Sutton, 20, of Annapolis, Mo., was captured just outside of Annapolis at 10:30 o'clock tonight by David A. Worley, blacksmith, and Everett L. Funk, retired merchant, both of Annapolis. The town of Annapolis is approximately ten miles from the scene of the killing.

The youthful robber and slayer was on foot and was headed for his home when he was caught. Although armed with the .32-caliber automatic pistol with which he killed the aged cashier, Sutton made no effort to resist his captors.

He readily confessed the slaying Iron County authorities announced.

He is being held in the Ironton jail.

After firing at Cook, Sutton said he ran from the bank and was followed for two or three blocks by several citizens, who gave up the chase as he started to enter the woods on the edge of town.

Sutton took no money in his flight

Working his way through the hills around Des Arc in the direction of Annapolis, Sutton said he circled about the latter town before he finally decided to return to his home.

Sutton had just walked onto the highway outside of Annapolis when captured. He had the pistol in his hand when taken into custody, but made no effort to use it.

South Main Street building in De Soto extensively remodeled.

Latest styles of vair-colored slippers may be had for $3.85 at the I. Becker Store.

Wash a clam shell thoroughly and then place in the bottom of the tea kettle. The lime in the water will adhere to the shell instead of the kettle.

If your kitchen has papered walls, you really require some sort of protection on the wall in back of the sink. It can be kept clean easily and pulled off and replaced when worn out.

LAY PLANS TO START DITCH NEXT MONDAY

A permanent comittee composed of Jos. L. Matthews, Charles Hebbeler, W. H. Sikes, G. J. Philips and J. F. Cox was instructed last Monday night to continue work on the North Sikeston drainage ditch, and to let the necessary contracts for the work The joint meeting of the original drainage committee in session at the City Hall with the Finance Committee, and came about on motion of E. C. Matthews, who pointed out that the men had the whole plan well in mind, and that it would be a waste of time to appoint others.

G. B. Greer, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported to the group that a total of $2522 had either been received in checks or pledged, and that an amount estimated at approximately $100 was still outstanding. The checks will not be cashed, said Mr. Greer, until actual construction work starts, nor will fulfillment of pledges be called for until that time.

The work now rests entirely with the committe of five. J. W. Baker, Jr., Sikeston Special Road District Commissioner, was present, and told the assembly that it would be impossible to use the large grader and tractor before the first of next week probably Monday. Mr. Baker pointed out that the road equipment was being used on the Morehouse-Tanner road at present.

G. J. Phillips reported that a "shaved down" estimate called for $969 to complete the actual work. This, of course does not include money to be expended on right-of-way, amounting to about $1000. The estimate of Mr. Phillips includes throwing up a small levee on the Paul Bucholtz farm, and calls for a ditch approximately one and one-half miles long, 18 to 20 feet wide, and having an average depth of three feet.

E. E. Hudson, ditch engineer appeared before the meeting, and offered to submit a bid. His offer was accepted, and final disposition of the contract will be made by the committee of five.

The Committee expects to complete ing for right-of-way and flowage signing up necessary legal forms call-rights through the various farm properties this week so that actual work on the ditch can start next Monday, weather permitting.

It was decided last Monday to finish one project before starting on another. Plans are being considered however, on the West Sikeston project.

Clean Up and Paint Up Week as well as House Cleaning, Reveals Many Furniture Needs

To help you choose with the greatest convenience the articles needed in your home, we have provided the following display. May we have the pleasure of showing them to you soon? You will not be urged to buy, just because you came to look. We are in a position to save you money on anything you might need in the furniture line.

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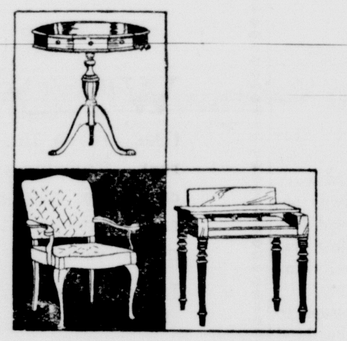

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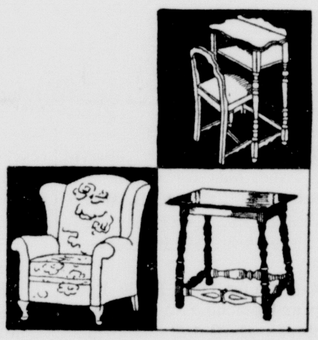

TO CONSIDER FARM LOANS HERE FRIDAY

Cape Girardeau, April 30.—First applications for loans from the $1,000,000 farm credit fund provided for Southeast Missouri by the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Credit Corporation will be considered by the discount committee Friday, at meetings at Sikeston and Dexter, it was announced today by S. B. Hunter, manager of the corporation, and J. R Cosgrove, manager of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Louis who is here assisting in the final working-out of plans for the district bank.

The Cape Girardeau offices of the bank will be in the suite on the fifth floor of the H.-H. building formerly occupied by the Chamber of Commerce. The rooms were to be furnished and occupied late today or Wednesday forenoon.

Blanks to be used by farmers in applying for loans from the bank were placed in the hands of directors of the corporation Monday afternoon at a meeting in Cape Girardeau Other forms necessary to the operation of the bank are being prepared and it was deemed possible today that printing of all of them would be completed by Wednesday when they would be sent to the directors.

All of the Southeast Missouri directors attended the meeting Monday with the exception of Col. Ralph Anderson of Gideon, New Madrid County's representative, and W. F. Shelton, Jr., of Kennett, Dunklin County's member of the board. No major change in the contemplated policy of the corporation was determined upon in addition to consideration of printed forms and the selection of offices the directors review plans of administration.

The discount committee which will first pass upon applications for loans will be composed of at least three members, one of whom will be the director for the county in which the loan applicant resides. The other two will be conversant with conditions in the county. These three will recommend to the complete board of directors, 12 of whose 18 members reside in St. Louis, that the loan be approved or denied.

When a loan is approved, money will be advanced to the farmer in the same manner in vogue among commercial banks of the district, stipulated amounts being paid out at regular intervals during the crop season

Loans will be made at the rate of 7½ per cent interest. They will be secured by customary farm chattels including tenants' work stock and farm machinery and crops.

LEGION AWARDS PRIZES TO GUARD

At the meeting of the Legion Wednesday night, Henry Meldrum Post No. 114, voted to award cash prizes to enlisted members of Company K. 140th Infantry, for qualification with the Cal. .30 rifle, when the long range firing is done at Camp Clark this August.

The man making the highest score will receive ten dollars, second place will receive seven dollars, third place five dollars and fourth place three dollars.

This spirit of co-operation and interest on the part of the Legionnaires is greatly appreciated by the Guardsmen and will act as a spur toward improvement in marksmanship.

Henry Meldrum Post is the first organization in the 140th Infantry area to make such cash prizes available, and it is thought that other organizations will follow the precedent that they have established, and offer prizes for marksmanship to unios of the Guard.

State Guard authorities and the Corps Area Commander have been notified of this action of the Legionnaires.

GRABER'S SATISFIED WITH TRADE IN PAST NINE MONTHS

Sam Graber, owner and manager of the Graber Chain Stores in this territory, visited the Sikeston store this week, leaving Thursday noon for headquarters. While here, Mr. Graber expressed satisfaction with the reception of his store here by the Sikeston trade. The retail trade in general, he stated, was beginning to pick up in volume, with prospects for even better conditions as the summer season advances.

Few other stores here or elsewhere can boast of as complete a line of fresh, clean looking merchandise as can the Graber force here. Ready-to-wear articles for men, women and children in large variety may be found. Dry goods, shoes and miscellaneous furnishings complete the stock. This store began operating here last September.

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SUPPER CLUB ORGANIZED IN PHARRIS RIDGE COMMUNITY

A 4-H Supper Club was organized Saturday afternoon, April 27, at the home of Mrs. R. Q. Brown in Pharris Ridge Community with a membership of six girls. The following officers were elected:

President, Edith Hensley; Vice-President, Louise Hill; Secretary Magdaline Mose; Cheer Leader, Jewell Ramsey; Club Reporter, Bernice Sutton; Song Leader, Geraldine Stabaugh. Mrs. R. Q. Brown will be the leaders for this Club.

Mrs. Brown was also leader of the Pharris Ridge Baking Clubs. It was decided to meet every week rather than every two weeks, which has been the general rule. The girls have not yet selected a name for their club, but will finish up all enrollment matters at their next meeting, at which time they expect to have at least two additional members. The girls are planning to complete their work in eight weeks.

The Supper Club project is food preparation, meal planning, table serving and the general diet of the family, and is one of the most interesting of the girls' 4-H Club projects. Following is a story written by Anna Baker, who was a member of the Pharris Ridge Baking Club:

On September 8, 1928 we met at M E. A. Hensley's. Mrs. J. C. Dow, Home Economics Agent, was there and explained to us how to bake good bread and the necessity of every girl knowing how.

She told us of the 4-H Club and how it would teach us to bake. So we decided to organize a 4-H Club, which we called a "4-H Jolly Bakers". We selected our President, Vice-President, Secretary, Reporter, Yell and Song Leader. We meet every two weeks. Mr. Brown gave us our Club record books to keep filled out and Baking Club I book for us to study. She explained every recipe carefully so it was easy for us to understand how to begin our baking. We each baked bread that week and took a loaf of bread to our leader's house. Mrs. Dow was there. She scored our bread and Edith Hensley's was best.

We next learned to bake fancy light bread and quick breads. We also made corn bread and dumplings They were all real good and everyone that saw and tasted them, said they were good. Thanks to the 4-H Club

We had a public demonstration at Mrs. R. Q. Brown's. We made pin wheel biscuits and fruit dumplings We also sang a few songs and yelled some yells.

The people that were present said our dumplings and pin wheel biscuits were real good.

Before I joined the 4-H Club, I couldn't cook bread that was very good. Now I can cook bread good as any experienced cook and I want to thank Mrs. Dow, Home Economic Agent, and our local leader, Mrs. Brown, for taking so much interest in us, and most of all, the good old 4-H Club. May it live forever.—Anna Baker, Sikeston, Mo. Route 3.

Mrs. Nellie Estes is visiting in Jackson this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dudley drove to Dexter Wednesday evening to view the National Guards.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert drove to Dexter Tuesday to visit Mrs. Lampert's sister, Mrs. Waggoner.

Mrs. L. C. Lear, of the Western Union office, is home from a visit with relatives at Higginsville, Mo.

S. Feinberg of Cape Girardeau was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert Wednesday afternoon.

Vernon "Jimmie" Skillman left on the 2:30 a. m. Sunnyland Wednesday for St. Louis, where he will take a position.

A large shipment of fine silk dresses, suitable for graduation wear have been received at the Becker Store from New York markets.

SHOWER FOR MISS MARY WILLIAMS SMITH

Mrs. Chas. Brown and Miss Margaret Hunter complimented Miss Mary Williams Smith with a miscellaneous shower Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Smith.

The bride-to-be was the recipient of many beautiful personal articles linens and brica brac.

The marriage of Miss Smith and Mr. Charles Berthe of Charleston will take place in June.

TO CONSIDER PLANS FOR SEMO GOLF TOURNEY SUNDAY

Clarence C. Scott will represent the Sikeston Club at a meeting of representatives from Poplar Bluff, Charleston, Fredericktown, Farmington and Cape Girardeau to perfect the schedule for a Southeas Missouri Championship tournament to be held in July. Each club will sponsor matches before the date of the big tourney to select teams. Tentative plans name July 4 and 7 as possible dates for the big play-off to be held at Cape Girardeau and Poplar Bluff. No tournament play is scheduled for this Sunday.

COUNCIL MEETS MONDAY

A regular monthly meeting of the City Council will be held at the City Hall next Monday evening.

"Pa", said the kid, "what is the most useless thing in the world?"

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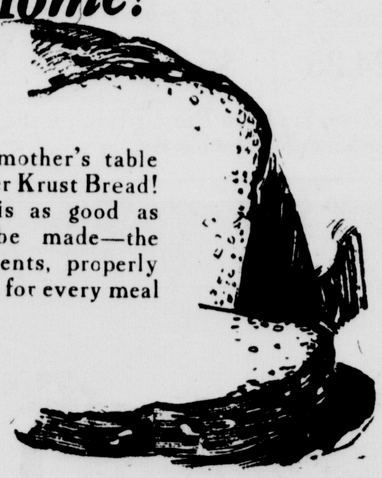

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The Standard is sorry that the verdict in the Akin-Lang suit at Jackson Wednesday was not in favor of the defendants. We are not questioning the rulings of the Judge, his charge to the jury or anything of that sort, for the case was tried on the contract alone, and circumstances that led to the purchase of the second hand machinery, or the loss and damage to our farmers under contract to furnish the produce, could not be admitted. If the fire had not occurred and the management of the plant carried out as was believed would be, it would have been a fine thing for the community at large and paid the stockholders in a small way.

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The next step in improving conditions in Sikeston calls for the paving of North Kingshighway. Objectors last fall pointed out, and justly so that so long as water continued to flood the street, that they would not be interested in paving. That condition will soon be remedied, and the next should-be-done project is "Pave North Kingshighway" .

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Nope, the Editor did not volunteer when Mr. Gilbert, the hypnotist, called for volunteers the other night. Weak minds, we understand, are necessary and a public demonstration of our qualifications was not desirable.

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Sikeston's dirt streets are in better shape now than for many a day. The next step in making this condition of good side streets semi-permanent is to oil them, and oil them at once. J. F. Cox last Monday night reported to the Drainage Meeting at the City Hall, that he has an option to buy four cars of street oil at a very good price, cheaper we understand, than was available last year. The City will furnish the necessary equipment and men to put oil on the streets, if the property owners will pay for the oil, and that averages about six cents per front foot. There are some objections to oiling, but what they are we do not know, but it seems that $6 expended on a 100-foot frontage. resulting in no dust, no mud and practically guaranteeing permanent streets at least for one year, would be a good investment for anyone. Property owners who desire their streets oiled should get busy with petitions and the oil will be forthcoming at once.

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Additional support for an appropriation of $373,900 to maintain National Guard work in Missouri is needed before final action is taken by the Senate Committee on Appropriations. There is grave danger that the body in question will pare down the suggested amount in order that the estimated State revenue will cover each item requested. In that connection, however, it should be pointed out that the present state of perfection and organization of the Missouri National Guard cannot be maintained on inadequate finances. In past years, the levee board of Charleston has been forced to advance money so that levee work by the local Units could be maintained. At Poplar Bluff, citizens had to take up a free will collection during the storm several years ago. This humiliating condition was brought about when State aid was not forthcoming to properly continue the work. With all due respect to the representatives and senators on the budget finance committee, it is to be remembered that many localities in Missouri are never in position to feel the need of the National Guard in times of crisis such as storms, floods and the like; but in Southeast Missouri particularly, very serious conditions have been met in the past, and good cause exists to support such work in the future. There may be a tendency on the part of some to disparage the work of the National Guard, but those who have had occasion to rely upon it for protection, have found nothing but praise for the organization.

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Style is not sacrificed in the latest shipment of ladies' and Misses' slippers. $3.85 at the I. Becker Store.

Mrs. L. C. Berthe of Charleston was an out-of-town visitor Tuesday and attended the shower given for Miss Mary Williams Smith.

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WEATHER MODULATES AFTER COLD SNAP

Overcoats, topcoats and coal were in demand Thursday morning in contrast to summer weight clothes straw hats and ice the day previous following a freak cold snap that bro't snow to St. Louis and DeSoto hail at Flat River, Perryville, Herrin Ill., and other points north and east. The storm passed over this territory Wednesday afternoon and evening with heavy rains that evening and night and high winds and much lightning. The latter struck the Fred Strewe home on William Street, but injured none of the family, nor did it damage the house very much.

Farmers stated Thursday morning that farming operations, plowing and planting would be held up the remainder of this week due to the heavy rain.

Communication lines were practically cut off to points north Thursday morning. A brief survey revealed that long distance lines were out from Cape Girardeau to St. Louis Western Union lines, both here and at Poplar Bluff were down, and St. Louis could not be reached. Bluff operators relayed their messages thru the local office to points South and East. Even the Missouri Pacific telegraph lines in this office were out of commission. The Frisco lines were open throughout the system, according to the operator there, who stated that he was able to reach St. Louis without difficulty, and who also gave short summaries of the storm conditions north of here and in Illinois.

His flashes over the wire reported a six-inch snow at St. Louis and a steady fall since 6:00 a. m. Thursday in the Lead Belt region.

Cold winds that scudded heavy threatening clouds over this town from Northwest to Southeast bro't a sharp drop in temperature during the night, but a definite tread to warmer was noted as the day advanced.

Chester, Ill., May 2.—Heavy rains accompanied by high wind and electrical display passed over this city at 4:00 p. m. yesterday.

Seven persons were killed and more than thirty injured in windstorms which swept through portions of Arkansas Wednesday night. The storm center seemed to be about Wheatley, Ark., but information is filtering in slowly because of damaged communication lines. Fort Smith, Ark., was also reported in the path of the storm which injured 12 persons and caused damage estimated at $50,000.

Rich fruit areas in Williamsn County in Southern Illinois, reported damage from hail to the extent of one-half million dollars. Spillerton, Marion and Herrin suffered from hailstones, some as large as 3 inches in diameter.

At Herrin a circus was forced to cut the ropes on the "big top", to keep it from being blown away. House roofs, greenhouses, autos and crops are reported to have suffered.

A severe hail storm at Flat River caused considerable damage to crops and windows of homes.

Local telegraph operators Thursday morning, stated that the Missouri Pacific station at Clara City in Jackson County was unroofed.

The storm condition bringing snow, hail, wind and rain was general over the West and Southwestern portion of the States.

With just about two weeks left in the present session of the Legislature, that body is seriously considering a measure whcih, if passed, will seriously hamper the proper functioning of State educational, eleemosynary and other institutions. Briefly the bill by H. S. Bales of Newton County would establish an executive budget system under the State Tax Commission which would require the State University, among others, to pay into the State treasury all moneys received. and then wait for an appropriation by the Legislature to expend that money. No doubt the measure has some good points; but it is not desirable from more than one practical angle. The measure is so worded that it will be possible to divert the money receivable at State institutions into the general revenue fund and deprive the university and other institutions of it altogether, "if such moneys are deemed unnecessary for the support of that institution" The irony of that statement will appeal to anyone versed with actual conditions. Nine-tenths of the State institutions have for the past decade operated on reduced appropriations In the case of the university, funds have been continually reduced, high-ranking scholars on the faculty have deserted to better paying positions needed repairs to buildings have been neglected, new buildings and new equipment have not been allowed—lack of funds. Now the gentleman of Newton County would place in the hands of the General Assembly, also termed the Legislature, the power to disallow a State institution the use of funds contributed by foundations, honorary organizations friends and moneys received from fees. We believe that the Honorable Body the Legislature, and Mr. Bales in particular, could spend time to better advantage by working out a plan of adequately financing the State institutions, instead of working for the depletion of already depleted funds.

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You are invited to inspect the latest shipment of fine silk dresses at the I. Becker Store.

Charles Davis of Collinsville, Ill. drove down Sunday and is spending the week with his aunt, Mrs. E. J Malone, Sr.

Whom the Gods love, they would first destroy. Well, Southeast Missouri has been practically destroyed for the past three years as far as crops are concerned, and perhaps we're in for a bit of loving by the Gods this trip. Looks that way now with storms to the left of us, and storms to the right of us vollying and thundering, but this area so far has escaped. May the Gods be gracious.

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Mrs. Ray Oliver and children of Detroit, Mich., who are guests of friends in Sikeston, was called to Dexter Tuesday afternoon on account of the serious illness of her father, J. F. Blankenship. Mr. Blankenship is now a patient in Barnes Hospital where he is receiving treatment for heart trouble.

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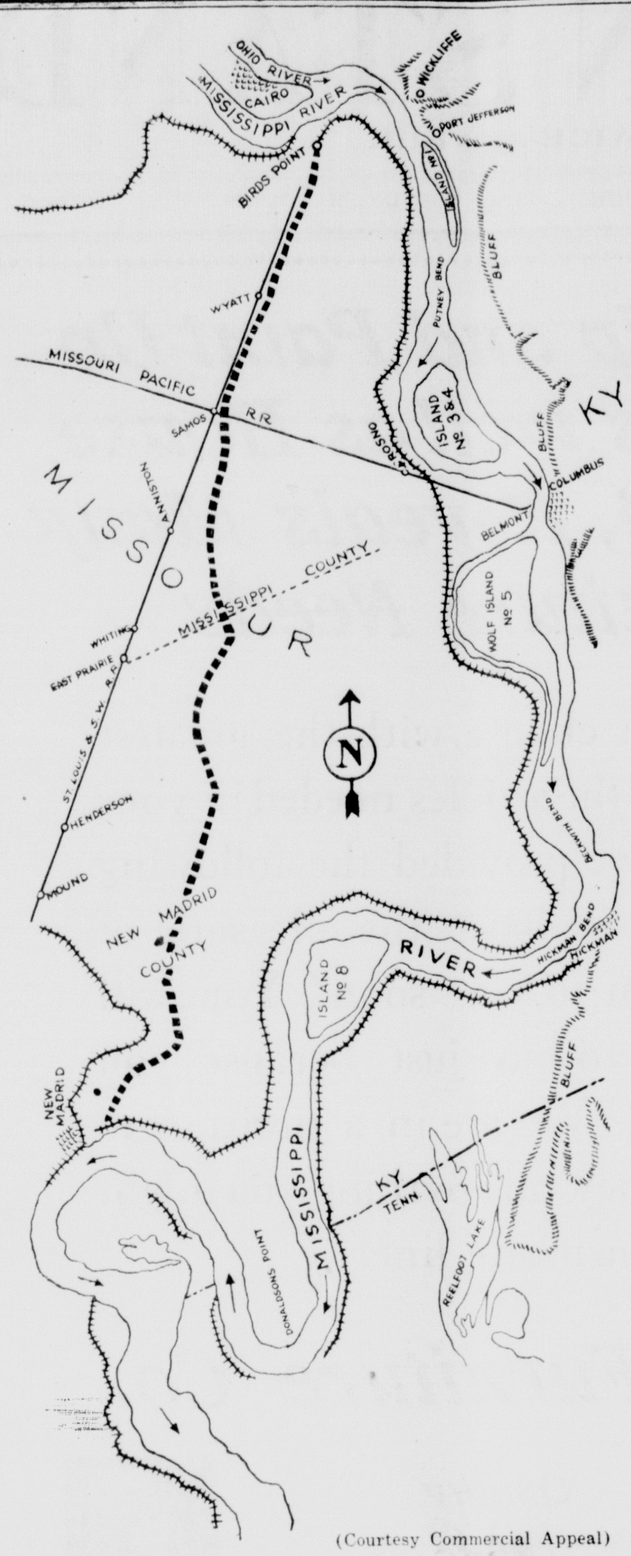

(Courtesy Commercial Appeal)

The drawing above shows the proposed Birds Point-New Madrid Floodway levee, bids for which will be opened by Lieut. Col. F. B. Wilby district United States engineer, May 22. The levee will cost in excess of $2,500,000.

The line running from Birds Point at the top and reaching to New Madrid, a distance of 28 1-2 miles, indicates where the new levee will be built. The other lines, with the crosses are the present levee.

The present leve will be lowered five feet, so that when the river reaches a stage of 55 feet at Cairo the water will cross the present levee and enter the channel or floodway between the present and proposed levees, floding 135,000 acres in New Madrid and Mississippi Counties, Mo., relieving the pressure at Cairo.

The government is taking steps to acquire flowage rights in the land that will be flooded. It is estimated that the acreage will not be flooded more than once in ten or twelve years.

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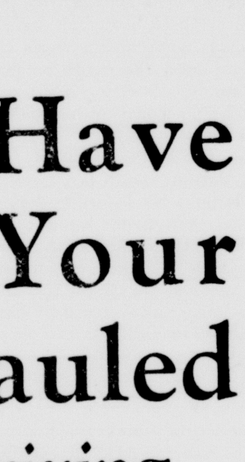

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8 APPLY FOR CROP LOANS THURS. A. M.

Eight applications for farm crop loans ranging in amount from $100 to $500 had been received up to Thursday 11:00 o'clock, at the office of L M. Stallcup, representing the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Credit Corporation in Sikeston.

The bank is organized and is ready to transact business for the sole purpose of furnishing credit to assist in making crops this year.

The money borrowed from this Corporation must not be used for any other purpose.

The Federal Intermediate Credit Bank furnishes the money to be loaned by rediscounting notes made to the Agricultural Credit Corporation. Therefore, these notes must meet the requirements of the Intermediate Credit Bank in order to be eligible for rediscount. That is, the notes must be made by farmers and must represent advances for crop production and must be satisfactorily secured.

In case of loans to tenant farmers, waiver of landlords' liens for rent and advances will be required.

No loans will be accepted when amounts exceed the actual requirements of the borrower to produce his crops.

As the purpose of these loans is to finance the production of crops they will be expected to be repaid when crops are harvested and can be marketed.

It is customary in connection with crop production loans to advance the proceeds of the loan to the borrower in installments as the season progresses and his needs require.

One director of the Credit Corporation lives in each of the counties to be served and he will arrange to have blank forms of application in the hands of some person in the various communities of his county.

The questions in this application forms must be fully answered and the applicant for loan must have his signature attested by someone competent to take his acknowledgment.

Dircetors:

W. F. Shelton, Kennett, Dunklin County.

Lynn M. Stallcup, Sikeston, Scott County.

V. Moran, Bloomfield, Stoddard County.

Ralph Anderson, Gideon, New Madrid County.

Buckner Ragsdale, Charleston Mississippi County.

H. I. Himmelberger, Cape Girardeau, Cape Girardeau County.

RADISH GROWERS STANDING BY FOR OTHER CROPS

The five radish growers in this district this Spring report that they are standing by now for other crops such as early turnips before making additional shipments to city markets

Milan—Milan Lumber Company's office remodeled.

Supt. Yates, of the Lilbourn school system, attended the meeting of the Auxiliary and Legion here, Wednesday night.

In this issue of The Standard will be found a map of the proposed floodway in Mississippi County as outlined by government engineers. We are indebted to the Commercial Appeal for the loan of the cut, which courtesy is greatly appreciated.

The Editor expects to be present Friday afternoon to witness the track meet at the gym field Friday afternoon. Incidently the fact that girls from all over the district will be present in abbreviated attire may help break the monotony of the afternoon.

The coming Sunday edition of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch will carry a picture of the Chinese Wistaria vine at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Adams. Sikeston readers of this St Louis paper will often find items of interest and pictures of Sikeston persons and views of the town in that paper.

LIONS CLUB HEARS REPORTS AT THURSDAY MEETING

Reports by Charles Hebbeler on the progress of the North Sikeston drainage project, and one by Lynn Stallcup and Lyle Malone on the canning factory suit at Jeckson were heard at the Lions Club meeting Thursday noon. Delegates to the Springfield Lions Club Convention were instructed to leave Sunday. Lyle Malone, President of the Chamber of Commerce, agreed to investigate the possibility of having companies who own communication lines along Malone Avenue to place the wires in conduits, and to remove the unsightly poles which now clutter up the parkway.

D. A. R. MEETS AT DEXTER

The local chapter of the D. A. R. will meet Saturday at Dexter at the home of Mrs. E. P. Crowe, with Mrs Crowe and her mother, Mrs. Laura Smith, hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Duncan of Springfield are the gusets of the former's parents.

The Co-Workers had a splendid meeting at the home of Mrs. Jos. L. Matthews Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Young, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Francis and Miss Nell Williams visited in Cape Girardeau Sunday.

Mrs. N. C. Watkins and children of Magnolia, Ark., arrived Thursday afternoon for a visit with Mrs. Watkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Blanton.

At any rate, the cold snap Thursday helped the coal dealers to dispose of their left-over winter supply and encouraged our friend, the Police Judge, to lay his straw hat in moth balls for another week. The Judge has been quite prominent of late in a summer weight suit and straw lid but the cold wind whistling down frmo the Northeast put a stop to that.

S'TON MEN LEAD COW TESTING ASSOCIATION IN PRODUCTION

The monthly report of the Southeast Missouri Cow Testing Association, soon to be published, will state that J. A. Montgomery of Dexter, C. E. Kaufman and Arnold Roth of Sikeston have herds of high grade cows and that the three mentioned lead in the association for the month just past for butterfat production. For the past several months the much desired first places have gone the rounds of Hebbeler, Montgomery Kaufman and Roth. Hebbeler and Montgomery are Jersey producers while Kaufman and Roth favor Holsteins. The three leaders in March were Montgomery first, Kaufman second and Roth third.

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We often wonder what it takes to bring happiness. Most folks without money wish they had more of it and those who have most of it, also seem disgruntled and out of sorts. When it is all leveled down, the most of us get along pretty well with health, three squares a day and a good place to sleep, and some manage to snatch a bit of happiness out of less than that.

Cotton planting time will be here as soon as the weather clears up from the present cold flurry, and that will most likely be next week. In that connection, a word to the wise about planting good cotton seed should be sufficient. Any number of cotton growers have told the editor that the finest seed they ever carried over turned out to be trash as far as germination goes this spring. One man in particular stated this week that he saved a large quantity of what he thought to be first class cotton seed only to find that it was improperly matured, green and wet and that germination tests indicated very low production. Good seed costs around 5½ to 6 cents a pound, but in the long run the results will much more than offset the first cost.

New Garments

for May

Our desire to present to the women of this community a display of garments right up to the minute in style, prompts us to urge you to come and view our present showings. You will find plenty of styles well within the price range you anticipate paying. See them today.

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Del Rey Hotel Bldg. Sikeston, Mo.

ILLMO BRAKEMAN, 34, DIES AFTER FALL FROM FREIGHT

Illmo, May 2.—P. H. Owens, 34 years old, of Illmo, for 15 years an employe of the Cotton Belt railroad, died early Wednesday at Greenway Ark., of injuries received two hours previously, when he fell from a moving freight train near Greenway.

Owens was found by J. H. Joiner and W. M. Anderson, railroad employes, sitting beside the railroad a short way from Greenway. He was still conscious, but succumbed before an ambulance could arrive to take him to a hospital at Piggott, Ark.

Before passing away, Owens said he stumbled and fell between two box cars. He pushed himself from between the cars and to the outside of the track before the train could hit him. He suffered a broken leg and severe internal injuries from the fall. His absence from the train which was moving northward, was not noticed until some time later.

The body was brought here today and funeral servcies will be held today. He is survived by a widow and two children.

HARRY JONES IN CHARGE OF H. & M. STORE: GRADDY MOVES

Harry Jones has assumed full charge of the local H. & M. store since Monday morning, when Mr. and Mrs. Amos Graddy moved to Carbondale, Ill., where Mr. Graddy will be manager of a new branch of the H & M. Store chain.

Manager Jones has been working for the company for the past eight months, and is known to a great number of Sikeston folks as an honest and dependable young man, who meets the trade well and who has established a growing following of shoppers. We regret to see Mr. and Mrs. Graddy leave, and we wish to congratulate the new manager.

Franchise awarded for installation of gas in Pleasant Hill.

Bellflower—Ulrich's Cafe altered and improved.

Washington—Immanuel Lutheran church to be redecorated.

West Plains—Sound equipment to be installed at Famous Theatre.

Willow Springs awarded contract for street graveling work.

LEGISLATURE NO WON $1 A DAY WAGE: PASSED LEGISLATURE NOW ON

Jefferson City, May 1.—The General Assembly of Missouri went upon a salary of $1 a day today. The 120 days, for which members were entitled to $5 a day, expired yesterday. The clerical army of the Legislature will not be affected. Adjournment is expected May 15. The Legislature has passed but eight bills, including the two bills to put into effect the $75,000,000 road program voted by the people last November.

The House is so nearly up with its work that it will adjourn from day to day to await consideration of Senate bills and to give the Senate time to pass the appropriation measures. These have not been taken up by the Senate Appropriations Committee formally, but Chairman Painter has been checking over the appropriations and laying plans to slash those made by the House to bring them within the expected revenues.

Illmo's garment factory now in operation.

Auto Service, Inc., of Greenville located branch in Lutesville.

Cass County Telephone Company erecting building at Harrisonville.

WHAT IT COSTS TO GOVERN US

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The Failure of the General Property Tax

WHO has not paid a property tax? Those who support state and local governments doubtless have, for these governments have relied greatly upon property taxes. The principle has been that the amount of property of an individual is an indication of his ability to pay taxes.

In order to levy a tax on the value of property, the value must be ascertained. The task of doing this has usually been placed in the hands of a locally elected assessor. He is usually expected to complete his task in a few weeks' time, while the pay is not sufficient to attract the most capable men. The fact that the assessor must depend upon the votes of those he assesses, has often resulted in favoritism in assessments.

Most states have passed stringent laws in order to make the assessment of property effective. In Illinois, for example, the assessor must take oath, give bond, and is subject to fine and imprisonment if he does not value all property at its full value. The assessed must take oath as to the accuracy of the list given to the assessor, and is subject to fine and imprisonment should he falisfy. In addition, provision is made for the publication of the assessment list and for boards of review.

A few figures taken from the assessment list will show how utterly this stringent legislation has failed in the assessment of all property. In Cook county, the county in which Chicago is located, there was returned to the assessor in 1926, 17,000 automobiles valued at $202 each; 1,000 fire and burglar proof safes and vaults valued at $52 each; 7,000 watches and clocks valued at $17 each; diamonds and jewelry valued at $202,000; and bonds and stocks valued at $1,407,000.

This condition is not peculiar to Cook county, Illinois, but is the same wherever an attempt is made to assess all forms of property. In no case is there more than a very small fraction of the money, stocks, bonds, mortgages and other personal property placed upon the tax books.

This condition has caused a great deal of injustice. The property of some may be in the hands of trustees and easily listed; some may be ignorant of how the system works, and through this ignorance turn in property to the assessor; some may be so absolutely honest that they will not falsify a return, even in self-defense against those who deliberately falsify.

It has been aptly said that the general property tax penalizes the helpless, the ignorant, and the honest.

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The Elegance of Lace

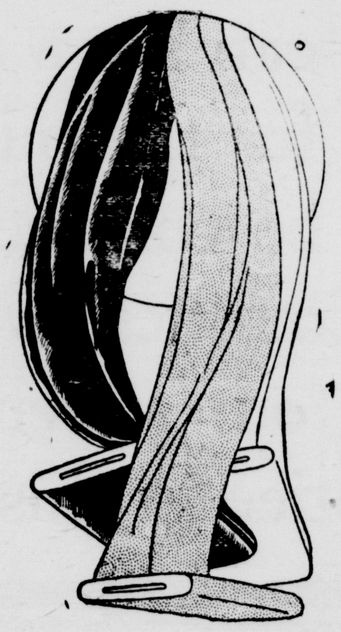
Predominance of Lace Is Noted in Smart New Frocks for Afternoon and Evening Wear

"The Comedy of Life"
which has been retitled to
"Love and the Devil"
Will Be Shown
at the
MALONE THEATRE
Friday Afternoon and
Evening, May 10th

Clean Up Time Is New Curtain and Drapery Time

A Clean House Calls for CRISP NEW CURTAINS

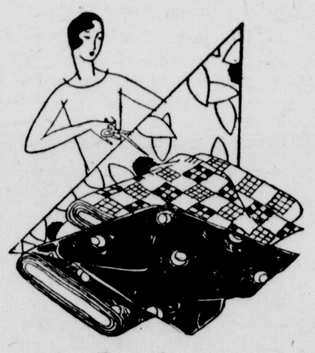
Now is the season when it seems almost a necessity to discard the old hangings and substitute fresh new curtains. And this special selling makes it possible to choose them at unusual savings.



Embroideried Marqusettes

25c per yard

COLORFUL RAYON TAFFETA HANGINGS



We are now showing some stunning new rayon taffetas—many just arrived. There are dozens and dozens of patterns and colors so that any color scheme may be carried out. Quaint flower prints for use in bedroom or living room. Dashing modernistic themes give interest to other weaves. Smart designs copied from old world patterns all add interest to select here. 98c PER YARD

45—Phones—46

Pinnell Store Company

"The Most of the Best for the Least"

Highest Quality **KROGER'S** Lowest Prices

Puffed Wheat	2 Pkgs	23c	
Waltke's Soap	Extra Family	10 Bars	43c
Chocolate Covered Raisins	Delicious Nourishing, lb.		20c
Cocoanut Marshmallow Cakes	Oven-Fresh Kroger-Baked, lb.		17c

Apple Butter Country Club, qt.	27c	Prunes, small size 3 pounds	25c
Graham Wafers 2 lb. package	28c	Sardines, tomato oval, 3 cans	27c
OLEO, Wondernut per pound	19c	Milk, Country Club 3 tall cans	25c
Corn Flakes, Country Club package	10c	K. C. Baking Powder can	19c
BANANAS 2 pounds	15c	ORANGES, 216 size, dozen	40c
Strawberries		Lettuce, head	15c

BACON HICKORY SMOKED LEAN FOR BREAKFAST 3 lbs. or more lb. 22c

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIAL

CAMPELL BEANS 2 CANS 17c

CHAFFEE BOYS ON S IKESTON BALL CLUB

Jos. "Buster" Brown, Chris Roland and Nathan "Red" Carle of this city were in the line-up of the Sikeston ball club last Sunday when that team defeated a nine from Johnston City, Ill. Roland pitched the first six innings while Brown caught seven and Carle played the last three in left field. The Sikeston Standard in commenting on the looks of the club, praised the work of "Buster" behind the bat.

Following is their comment of the club in general:

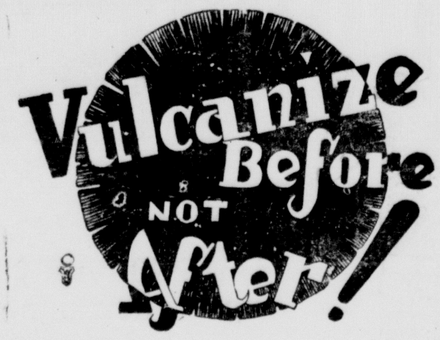
"The performance of local talent on the diamond assures Sikeston fans of a winning team this season. Especially good was the infield work of Burrus, who acquired two putouts and handled six assists with only one error, and that was more fluke than error. The first position filled by Dudley and Craig, retired fifteen batsmen for Johnson City with only one error, and that proved not to be costly. The old reliable Dowdy, in centerfield, had no chance last Sunday to show his ability, but the said gentleman has a very comforting habit of being where a fly ball is going to land—and it generally meets leather. Ancell, also, had no chance to display his talents. Young Swaim made several good catches, handled a wicked bat, and showed makings of good material for the season. Malone had no occasion to use his entire pitching staff. Roland and Meredith managed to hold the visitors to three hits, and kept Sells and Burrus from receiving a tryout in the box. Brown proved to be a real catcher and one who can handle a variety of hard material. Besides displaying real ability behind the stick, this gentleman collected two hits and crossed the plate for two markers. Sikeston has plenty of strong material, the team is pepped up over its first victory, and is game to tackle anything in its class or out of it during the season. We would like to see a dozen cars full of rabid rooters follow through to Malden next Sunday to watch them take the hide off of Rector, Ark."—Chaffee Signal.

Ferguson—Blick Building improved.

J. C. Penney Company opened store in South St. Louis.

John Elkins accompanied Mrs Elkins to St. Louis the first of the week, where she underwent a skin grafting operation. No word of her condition has been received.

The Sikeston Chapter of Eastern Star will sponsor a benefit motion picture show at the alone Theatre this coming Wednesday night. Individual members of the Order are in charge of ticket sales. Admission is 30 cents.



IT MEANS MORE MILES

Waiting for a blowout before repairing is poor judgement. Bring us those tires in time—when they show the first signs of laying down on the job. We'll repair and strengthen them to to their original resistance. You'll be rewarded too by longer service at a small expense.

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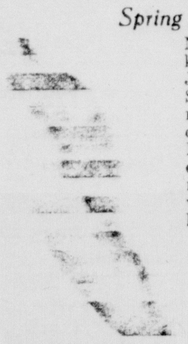
CARROLLS TIRE STATION

Day and Night Road or Drive In

Clean Up and Paint Up Means HOUSE CLEANING!

Spring house cleaning: A bugbear, or a task undertaken with enthusiasm and finished with satisfactin? Everything depends upon the spirit and the equipment with which it is approached. Gone are the days when housekeeping was a back-breaking task—achieved through sheer physical force and the most rudimentary tools. A walk through a modern hardware store reveals dozens of short cuts to the accomplishment of everyday tasks. Choose those things best suited to your needs—see to it that every article you select has some direct bearing on your special problems in cleaning—buy only the best—you will find it an economy in the end. Then, well equipped, you can approach the spring housecleaning problem with a certainty that it will be speedily finished in the most efficient and modern way.

Spring Cleaning Hardware



New broom were always known to sweep more clean. Just so, it's true that your Spring housecleaning will be more thoroughly and better done with all equipment new. Much-used mops and brushes, pans and pails, all hinder more than help. Clean house with new, clean house-work-helps like these:

PAINTS & BRUSHES
RAKES, SHOVELS
PAILS, SOAP
MOPS, DUST CLOTHS
LAWN MOWERS
GARDEN HOSE

271—Phones—272

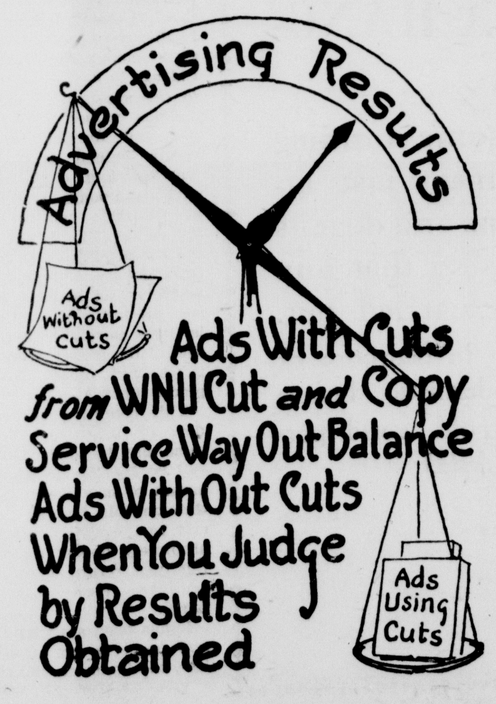
Farris-Jones Hardware and Grocery Co.

The Winchester Store

THE END OF YOUR QUEST FOR QUALITY

The Standard

will shortly have an announcement to make that should be of interest to the public, bring financial returns to management and greatly increase our circulation. Mr. David Blanton is expected in the city soon after June 1st and will then map out his plan of campaign. It is the desire and intention of the management to so conduct this campaign that no other newspaper in Scott or adjoining Counties will have cause to find fault. The Standard has been on the square in all it's business dealings and will continue so to the end. Our readers know us like a book and when it comes time for David to take the field, hope they can say a good word to their neighbors for the publication. Our efforts will be confined to Scott and adjoining Counties where we can be of service to our advertisers. Watch for further notice in this publication.



SOME WEATHER PROVERBS HAVE MORE OR LESS TRUTH

While scientific meteorology still looks askance at the possibility of making seasonal forecasts, proverb meteorology—the old sayings about the weather that have grown up thru hundreds of years' observation on the part of those who live out of doors a great deal of the time—is reody to venture a guess as to what effect various types of weather will have on agricultural crops, particularly on fruit.

For example, a continuous or nearly continuous covering of snow, incident to a cold winter, not only delays the blossoming of fruit trees until after killing frosts are probably over, but also prevents that alternate thawing and freezing so ruinous to wheat and other winter grains. So the Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture points out that such proverbs as "A cold April the barn will fill", and "A late spring never deceives", contain more or less truth.

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PAUL BESTOR TO HEAD FEDERAL FARM BOARD

Announcement was made in Thursday afternoon papers of the appointment of Horace Paul Bestor president of the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis to head the Federal Farm Loan Board. The appointment was made by President Hoover and confirmed by the Senate. He succeeds Eugene Meyer of Mount Kisko N. Y., whose resignation has been received. Bestor was prominent in the recently formed Southeast Missouri Agricultural Credit Bank.

Drunk: Must Work 15 Days

Leslie Fountaine, New Madrid printer, pleaded guilty in Police Court Monday afternoon to charges of being drunk, and agreed to work 15 days instead of planking down $15, fine and costs assessed by the Court. Fountaine is working on Lon Swanner's street gang, which has been engaged lately in cleaning up and leveling Malone Avenue parkway.

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LADY DOUGHBOYS FEED DOUGHBOYS WED. NITE

The Auxiliary of the Legion entertained the members of Henry Meldrum Post Wednesday evening with a spread following the meetings of the organizations in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

In spite of the inclement weather about forty were present for the entertainment and lunch. One member came from Lilbourn.

Legion Square plans were discussed and further improvement of the plot was planned. The Legionnaires are pleased to see that area immediately south of the Missouri Pacific tracks and bordering on Legion Square, is being improved to match up with the Square.

Members present at the meeting contributed funds for the purchase of a new flag for Memorial Day. The flag ordered is larger than any one yet flown from the pole.

Plans for Memorial Day observance are not yet completed, but will be announced soon through the press Flags for marking the graves of soldiers are here. The Auxiliary will collect flwoers, as has been their custom, and place them on the graves on the morning of Memorial Day Any persons having flowers which they will give for this purpose are requested to notify any officer of the Legion.

The Legion voted to contribute $25 for prizes to be given those members of Co. K, who make the highest score in rifle marksmanship at Camp Clark during August.

It was decided to use the National Color which a Gold Star mother presented to the Post, as the official Post color. A staff will be secured and this Color will be carried, for the first time, in the Memorial Day parade.

Capt. R. R. Reed has notified the Post that Co. K will participate in the parade and will furnish the firing squad.

The Drum and Bugle Corps decided to practice at 9:00 p. m. Thursday night at the Armory. This hour will permit members of the Corps who work late, to be present and help get in shape for the activities of the summer.

A meeting of the Legion of the 14th District will probably be held in Sikeston within a few weeks, and tentative plans concerning this meeting have been made.

A committee to handle the details of the annual Poppy Sale, will be announced at the meeting to be held Wedensday, May 15.

"THE LAKE OF LOT"

At last we emerged onto a desolate road, where we found an Arab encampment near the beach of the Dead Sea. The sea was no longer blue, but a dark gray green, reflecting the sombre colours of the hills of Moab. Those hills that look so wonderful in their azure splendour from a distance looked sombre and threatening at close quarters. The Arabs call the Dead Sea the Lake of Lot, for Mohammed introduced the story of Lot and the destruction of Sodom into the Koran. The surface of the sea lies about 1300 feet below the level of the Mediterrnean; it is 47 miles long, its greatest depth is 1300 and 10 feet and its greatest breadth some 10 miles. Into it the waters of the Jordan empty themselves, but it is an inexplicable phenomenon that these waters do not increase the bulk or alter the level of the sea. Many millions of tons of water roll day by day into the Dead Sea, but not a single ton of water is seen to roll out of it. The surface is generally motionless, but occasionally a stiff breezes will lash the sleepy waters into activity. This vast expanse of motionless water is shut in by 2 steep and barren mountain ranges, the chain of Judea and the tableland of Moab, its shores as parched as the country around bearing no traces of vegetation of the existence of man, except the occasional hut of a Bedouin, in keeping with its surroundings. What struck me as most curious was the impossibility of penetrating the waters of the Dead Sea beyond a few feet, beneath which they seem to be altogether opaque. A lady of our party had set her mind on bathing but she soon found that swimming was an impossibility, to' floating was comfortable and refreshing.

Presently a little naked dark skinned boy came out of a hut; quietly and solemnly he walked into the sea. When the water reached his knees he layed down on his back and kept still, with the burning sun beating down upon him. When he wanted to come out it needed some effort on his part to stand upright and on emerging, with the sun beating down upon him he looked for all the world like a pillar of salt. The Arab boy came and stood near us while he was scraping the salt from his body, but after much rubbing he still was covered with crystals clear as pearls. Then he lay down and panted in the sun with his feet just touching the miniature ripples of water.—Jimplicute.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TO CONDUCT SERVICES SUN.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the local Christian church will conduct the services at the church Sunday evening.

James McClelland will talk on "The Wonders of the Bible"; Hazel Lumsden on "Jesus, the Great Leader"; Virginia Kistner, "The Adventure" and Walter Weekley, president of the local Christian Endeavor, will discuss "The Place of Christian Endeavor in the Progarm of the Church". Kemper Bruton will have charge of the song service and Mrs. O. P. Bellanger, wife of the pastor, will render a solo.

The Christian Endeavor organization, composed of some of the brightest young people in Sikeston, is working faithfully and earnest to promote the furtherance of Christian fellowship in their church and the community in which they live.

SIKESTON ARTISTS AND STUDENTS DISPLAY WORK

The work of Virgin Williams and Louis Walker displayed in connection with a City-wide demonstration of Elementary and High School work is outstanding. Williams and Walker show four pictures worked in charcoal and represent first class black and white treatment of their respective subjects. Many amateur Sikeston critics are asking why the particular four are not entered in open competition with other State-wide displays of amateur artists.

Work from classes in writing, spelling, design and poster work ranging in grade from elementary to high school, is on display in various windows and bulletin boards about town and is attracting considerable favorable attention from Sikeston and visiting folks.

Building will be erected in Greentop to house Masonic and Odd Fellow quarters.

Greenville—Right-of-way secured by Mississippi River Fuel Corporation Corporation for construction of proposed gas line through Wayne County.

BALL TEAM TO MALDEN SUNDAY: PLAY RECTOR, ARK

Rector, Ark., feels lucky, according to Tom Malone, and will meet the locals on a strange diamond, at Malden, this Sunday afternoon to settle the difference of opinion.

Malone stated Thursday that a game scheduled with Marion, Ill., had been cancelled following the demonstration of the locals against Johnson City last Sunday.

The locals have signed up for a visit to Cairo on Sunday, May 12, to play the first game of a five-game series with that club.

COUNTY DECLAMATION MEET TO BE HELD AT BENTON FRI

The annual County eighth grade Declamation Contest will be held at Benton this Friday. Judges for the event will be Mrs. Roger Bailey, Mrs. Moore Greer and Supt. Roy V. Ellise all of this city. Sikeston schools will not be represented.

Capt. and Mrs. E. T. Wheatley were visitors to Cape Girardeau on Wednesday.

Mrs. A. C. Barrett delightly entertained the Tuesday Bridge Club and other friends Tuesday afternoon.

The last reports from the bedside of Gord Dill, who is in the Hospital in St. Louis, is that he is rapidly recovering from a serious operation.

ABOUT 1000 FEET OF PAVEMENT LAID ON CAPE- JACKSON PROJECT THIS WEEK

According to officials in the local Division 10 Highway office, the Rouse Construction Company has laid approximately 1000 feet of pavement on the Cape Girardeau-Jackson project. Work started last Monday morning with a force of 75 men. Work is being delayed to some extent on account of present high stage of the river which makes sand dredging impossible.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING

The regular Club meeting of the Woman's Club will be held at the home of Mrs. C. E. Brenton on North Ranney Tuesday afternoon, May 7, at 2:30. Mrs. H. M. Kendig will be the leader for the afternoon and the program will be music week.

DAIRY MEETING ATTRACTS 31 LAST TUESDAY NIGHT

Thirty-four farmers attended the Dairy Promotion meeting held at Russell Brothers' Implement building at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. E R. Lascelles, representing the Holstein Association, spoke on Feeding Breeding and Care of Dairy Cows that night and held a similar demonstration and talk at the Charles Kaufman farm, two miles east of the city the day following. County Agent A J. Renner attended both meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Pitt White of Bertrand were visitors to Sikeston Thursday.

C. C. White, Judge Barry, Misses Vivian Jackson and Eula Hahn returned to Jefferson City, Wednesday.

Missouri Pacific Railway bridge over Big Creek south of Pleasant Hill may be widened.

FOR RENT—A modern home on N. Ranney. Call or see E. J. Keith. tf.

FOR RENT—1 5-room house, water in house; also, 1 4-room house. Phone 418.

WANTED—Washings to do at home —Mrs. Gertrude Colley, 324 North Prairie.

FOR SALE—Guaranteed fresh eggs. Delivered to the home. Notify Louis Watkins, Vanduser, Mo.

FOR RENT—Two sets of furnished rooms for light housekeeping.—Mrs. J. H. Held, 341 North St. tf.

FOR RENT—3 or 4 rooms, furnished for light housekeeping. Light, water and bath.—Frank Heisler, 204 Lake Street. 2t.

GIRL WANTED to work for board and room. Call 394. 4t.

FOR SALE—5-room modern house, has double garage. Two block of business section. Will sell cheap if taken at once. Phone 522 or 593.—A. B. Proffer.

FOR SALE—A good saw mill rig, has extra cut-off saw, mandrel, track, engine with new cab. Guaranteed to work, in good condition. Will be sold at a bargain. See Thos. B. Dudley, Sikeston, Mo.

BABY CHICKS—Chix C. O. D. From matured year old hens laying over 50 per cent this January. Utility, per 100. All Leghorns $11, Rocks, Reds, Bf. Ops., Wyands., $13; Asst'd., $8; Heavies $10. Send 1c per chick. Bal. C. O. D. 100% alive. Catalog Free. Standard Egg Farms, Box 125, Cape Girardeau, Mo. 4t F.

WHAT IT COSTS TO GOVERN US

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The Gasoline Tax

THE tax you pay on gasoline helps to make about $190,000,000 a year in gasoline tax receipts. Oregon, in 1919, was the first state to levy such a tax. In this same year Colorado, North Dakota, and New Mexico levied a similar tax. The use of no other tax has been extended so rapidly for at present there are but three states, New York, Massachusetts and Illinois—the Supreme court of Illinois in February having declared the tax as levied unconstitutional—which do not have the tax. Practically the entire revenue goes for the construction or maintenance of highways. The rate varies in different states from one cent a gallon to five cents.

It is but fair when the government performs a special service for an individual that he should stand at least a part of the cost. Thus in paving streets the owners of abutting property are made to pay a part if not all the cost of the improvement.

The construction and maintenance of highways, while of great social good, confer a special benefit on the motorist. The greater use he makes of the road, the greater the benefit There is a definite relation between the amount of gasoline consumed and the number of miles traveled, the weight of the car, and the wear and tear on the highway. A tax on gasoline, then, is a fair way of charging the motorist for the benefit he receives.

It is difficult to say just what part of road costs should be borne by the motorists, but whatever part it may be can better come from a gasoline tax than from the license fee. There is no relation between $10 or $20 a year and the use made of the road. A farmer may be able to use the road but a few months yet his license will be the same as one who may use the road every day in the year Justice would seem to indicate a small registration fee, and the reliance upon the gasoline tax for the desired revenue.

The use of the gasoline tax has been an aid to the pay-as-you-go policy of highway finance. The increasing maintenance costs as roads get older makes this desirable. The uncertainty of the life of a highway makes borrowing for any long period of time an undesirable policy.

The gasoline tax has the further advantage of being a method of receiving some payment from the out-of-state motorist for the roads he is using. In some states such collections are not inconsiderable.

There is no reason why the rates should vary so much in the different states, and any movement leading to uniformity should be encouraged.

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NEW RECORDS THIS WEEK

No. 21917
Do Something
That's Why I'm Happy
Helen Kane

No. 21922
Love e Or Leave Me
Good Little, Bad Little Youn
Chick Endor

No. 21920
I Kiss You Hand, Madame
Josephita—Fox Trot
Leo Rersman and Orchestra

No. 21915
Dream Mother
A Garden in the Rain
Gene Austin

YOUNG'S PLACE
Phone 192

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The More Formal Type of Tweed Coat Adopts Fur as Adornment

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Low Rates
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State Farm Mutual
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"HOT STUFF"
Will Be Shown
at the
MALONE THEATRE
Friday Afternoon and Evening, May 24th

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The hail season is here!

He who plants should take no chance! My company, one of the very strongest, will insure your crop of wheat, rye, oats, soybeans, corn or cotton at the lowest cost possible.

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Bacon, Dry Salt, lb.	**18c**
Jowls, Dry Salt, lb.	**13c**
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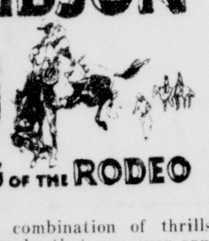

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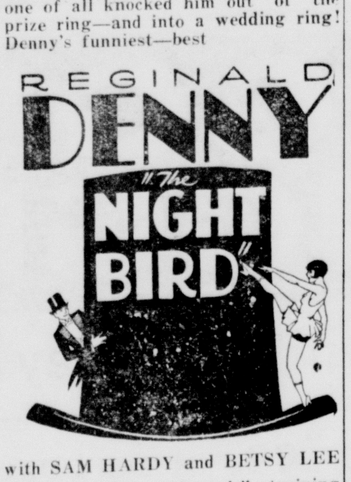

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NEWS and Comedy—"SHE'S GOING SAILOR"

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Comedy—"STAGE FRIGHT"

Admission 10c and 25c

COMING—Milton Sills and Maria Cordia in "LOVE AND THE DEVIL" also Colleen Moore in "WHY BE GOOD"

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. George Elderbrooks motored to Canalou Monday on business.

Miss Blanche Revelle were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

W. B. Lucas and wife of Benton were in Mathews, Monday, on business.

Mrs. J. W. Whiton and daughters, Mrs. Kline T. Hope and Miss Deene Whitton, shopped in Sikeston Tuesday.

Mesdames G. D. Steele, F. E. Story, F. E. Sibley motored to Cape Girardeau, Tuesday.

Mrs. Ella Prouty of Sikeston is the guest of Mrs. Maggie Hunott this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ola Warren and little son are visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Warren at La Forge, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hill are the proud parents of a fine baby girl.

Miss Wava Watkins came down from Sikeston Saturday and spent the week-end with her brother, Russell and little sister, Viva.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McCarty and daughter, Dolores, spent Sunday with Mrs. McCarty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rice returned to St. Louis, Sunday, after a few days visit here with the latter's mother. Mrs. Cora Gossitt.

E. W. Wilson and Simms of Canalou had business here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn shopped in Sikeston, Monday.

Harrisonville—Pearsons' Grocery Store extensively remodeled.

Normandy—Increased school facilities planned for Normandy Consolidated School District.

ITEMS FROM MINER SWITCH

Wade Malcolmn was an Oran visitor, Wednesday.

J. V. Farrell is able to sit up after several weeks' of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Poe of Oran visited Mrs. Eubanks, Sunday.

W. T. Boyd of St. Louis visited his mother, Mrs. C. W. Smoot, Sunday.

John Suchmann of St. Louis spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Suchmann.

Goldburne Wheeler left Monday aftrenoon for Dertoit, Mich., to seek employment.

Mrs. Eubanks has been called to Charleston, Ill., on account of the serious illness of her father.

The Bertrand high school will put on a play at the Community House here Friday night, May 3. Admission 15c and 25c.

Mrs. Clyde Poe of Oran entertained the Merry Matron Club at her home in Oran Wednesday afternoon. The who attended from Miner were: Mrs. Roland Malcolm and her mother, Mrs. Stalls of St. Louis; Mrs. Paul Buchholtz, Mrs. W. F. Woods, Mrs Wade Malcolm, Mrs. C. W. Smoot Mrs. Ben Matthews, and Mrs. W. W. Hargrave. Refreshments of ice cream and angel food cook were served.

ROAD REPORT

General: The highways of the Division are in fair conditon.i Some softand rough spots in gravel sections have been causing inconvenience to traffic, but these places are being taken care of as rapidly as possible.

U. S. Route 60: Springfield-Poplar Bluff-Sikeston-Birds Point. Carter County line to Poplar Bluff, 21 miles. Gravel surface. Condition good.

Bluff to Dudley, 17.6 miles. Concrete pavement.

Dudley to Gray Ridge, 22 miles Gravel surface. Condition good.

Gray Ridge to Birds Point, 38 miles. Concrete pavement.

U. S. Route 61: St. Louis-Fredericktown? Sikeston-Arkansas State line.

St. Francis County line to Fredericktown (int. U. S. Route 67) 5 miles Gravel surface, good.

ntersection of U. S. Route 67 to Intersection of Route 34, 37.2 miles. Concrete pavement.

Intersection of Route 34 to Jackson (Int. Route 25) 3 miles. Gravel surface. Good.

Jackson to Cape Girardeau (Int. Route 25) 3 miles. Gravel surface Good.

Jackson to Cape Girardeau (Int. Route 74) 11.2 miles. (Closed, under construction). Follow marked detour around this work as follows: North bound traffic take U. S. 61 into Cape Girardeau. U. S. 61 becomes Sprigg street within the city limits. Take Sprigg street north to Broadway and make left turn from Sprigg to Broadway; thence out Broadway to Boulevard street, making a left turn from Broadway on Boulevard; thence out Boulevard to Independence Street, making right turn at this intersection and following Independence Street to the Gordonville road. Take Gordonville road to Gordonville which is intersection of Route 25. Take 25 north into Jackson. South traffic follow Route 25 out of Jackson to Gordonville; thence out the Gordonville road to Cape Girardeau as explained above. This is an all-weather, gravel detour.

Cape Girardeau to Ancell, 7 miles. Concrete pavement.

Ancell to Benton (Int. Route 55) 8.6 miles. Gravel surface. Good.

Benton to Sikeston (Int. U. S. 60) 18.2 miles. Gravel surface. Good.

Sikeston to point one-half mile north of New adrid, 20 miles. Concrete pavement.

Point one-half mile north of New adrid to Marston, (closed, under construction). Light traffic follow 11 mile marked all-weather earth detour which starts on Route 61, one-half mile north of New Madrid and terminates at Marston. Heavy trucks busses and through traffic take U. S. 60, frmo Sikeston to Dexter; thence south on Route 25 from Dexter to Kennett; thence back east on Route 84 from Kennett to U. S. 61.

Marston to Portageville, 10 miles Gravel surface. Good.

Portageville to Hayti (Int. Route 84) 15.3 miles. Concrete pavement.

Hayti to Arkansas State Line, 22 miles. Concrete pavement.

Liberal—Davidson Drug Company installed modern ice cream plant.

Tuscumbia—County farm building will be constructed immediately for McDonald County.

Novinger—Additional equipment purchased for high school auditorium

New grocery store and meat market established at Maysville.

Arkansas-Missouri Power Company making numerous improvements on property at Kennett.

FERTILIZER HELPS TO PRODUCE EARLY MELONS

Too much attention cannot be given to the value of fertilizing the watermelon crop as an essential practice which will hasten maturity and enable the grower to get his melons onto an early market with consequent better prices.

A practice common to some growers is to place manure in the hills and then to side dress with about 100 pounds of 3-12-4 or 4-8-6 mixed fertilizer after the melons have reached a size large enough to send out runners. The experience of growers in the Wool Ridge neighborhood, among whom Stewart Brothers, Sam Jones and C. M. Emory are well known producers, points conclusively to the value of fertilizer in growing a crop in spite of daverse weather conditions.

Many growers are complaining about field mice and the demand for poisoned wheat has increased materially. A supply of this material is available at the office of the Extension Agent and can be secured at cost.

Since the article was published regarding the survey of the melon acreage for 1929 several names of growers have been added to the list. These are printed herewith.

Charleston District—Tom Layne, 15 acres; Roy Starks, 30; Charles Lough, 10 acres; A. W. Story, 6; A. Turner, 2; Marshall Stallings, 10.

Bertrand Section—Harry S. Bagwell, 10; John Michale, 10; J. F. Powell, 5; Grover Jackson, 5.

Growers in the Cotton Belt District not previously reported are Raymond McCuiston, 20 acres, and Will Forest 10 acres.

LEGHORNS VS. HEAVY BREEDS

There is always a chance fr argument when the question is raised as to the advantage of heavy over light breeds of chickens or vice-versa. For example, H. W. Nistendirk, Mrs. Tom Ford, A. C. Drennan, Mrs. A. D. Ray, Mrs. John Sanders, Mrs. Ben Wilmuth and many others have white leghorns. On the other hand the Ponders, Mrs. E. E. Presson, Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mrs. Chas. French, Mrs. A. V. Goodin and a few others have heavy type chickens. Those who have the leghorns are satisfied that they are the most economical and productive breed. On the other hand those who have the Barred Rocks Wyandottes, Rhode Island, Red Orpingtons, etc., think that the breed in which they are interested in, is the most satisfactory for their conditions.

A comparison made from flocks on which yearly records had been kept during the past year may be of interest to our readers. This information has been compiled by Berley Winton, Poultry Specialist from the Missouri College of Agriculture, and the figures were sent to County Agent Teal to be used as he might see fit. The comparison made between the leghorn and general purpose breeds

	Heavy Breeds	White Leghorns
Number of flock	69	84
Hens per farm	138	300
Decrease in size of flock by end of year	58⅓%	49.8%
Eggs per hen for the year	137	164
Yearly feed cost per hen	$2.63	$2.26
	Heavy Breeds	Light Breeds
Iinvestment per hen (stock, houses, etc.)	$4.96	$4.28
Labor income per hen.	2.25	2.21
Labor income per farm	$307.28	$665.67

The income represents the receipts per farm plus any increase in inventory. The expenses include feed cost for both young and old stock, any decrease in inventory, interest (6 per cent on the investment, depreciation 5 per cent) on buildings and miscellaneous equipment, the value of stock and eggs bought and incidental expenses, the difference between the income and expenses is the labor income. Rent on land, taxes and insurance are minor expenses not included in figuring the labor income.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

Main Street business houses in Slater improved and repaired.

The Fair Drug Company of Trenton installed modern soda fountain.

Slater—Electrostatic ground detector installed at local power plant.

New theatre building will be erected in Marceline at once.

Highway will be constructed between Campbell and St. Francis, Ark.

North Kansas City—Building completed for Swift Garage.

Construction of edifice for First Christian Church of Butler recently completed.

Carrollton—Turner Building renovated for use as showroom by Carrollton Motor Company.

Public park in Pierce City being rebuilt and beautified.

Butler—Local streets being graveled.

Lexington—Streets of this place to be oiled.

Bethel—Construction on bridge over North River progressing steadily.

Palmyra—First Baptist church building thoroughly remodeled and addition built.

Parnell—Parnell Cafe recently opened.

Keytesville—Quarters of Pearman Motor Company expanded.

Novinger—Plans underway for organization of Agricultural Improvement Association.

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New shipment of fancy patterns at yd.....25c
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Bestall's Sanitary Napkins, 3 in pack for....10c
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CANNING FACTORY SUIT RESULTS IN HUNG JURY

The lawsuit of Akins-Lang vs. certain stockholders of the late Akins-Sikeston Packing Co., charged with breach of contract, was tried before Judge Frank Kelly at Jackson Wednesday and resulted in a mistrial, the jury standing six for conviction and six for acquittal.

The case will be again set for trial at the next term of circuit court to be held at Jackson three months hence.

The suit was held purely to the contract signed by Akin and Lang holders of 51 per cent of the stock, and by certain members of the Chamber of Commerce and holders of stock in the packing company, and said contract called for certain payments and certain provisions on the part of both parties to the suit which were not carried out by either party. Akin and Lang claim there was a balance of $4700 due them by the Chamber of Commerce for which they brought suit. The Chamber of Commerce and the defendants claim that Lang, as manager and representing the majority of stock, had failed to have the company incorporated and in that respect failed to carry out his part of the contract.

Along about the first of September the packing plant burned, the insurance was collected and about the first of October, Akin and Lang met with a committee representing the Chamber of Commerce and the minority stockholders to settle the affairs of the company and divide the insurance money. Akin and Lang claim the Chamber of Commerce owed them $4700, and the members of the Chamber of Commerce and committee representing the minority stockholders stated on oath that it was their understanding that after paying bills due, the balance of the insurance money was to settle all claims of Akin and Lang. They likewise stated, under oath, that Mr. Akin said he did not want a lawsuit and wanted a settlement at that time, that they might clean up and clear out of Sikeston.

Akin and Lang were ably represented by Phil Graves of Neosho, Mo., while the defendants were represented by Bailey & Bailey of Sikeston.

After the jury was dismissed, it was learned the six farmers on the jury favored the plaintiffs in the case.

RIVER STARTS TO FALL AT CAPE GIRARDEAU WED

Cape Girardeau, May 1.—Starting its fall from the highest stage of the year, the Mississippi river today was receding gradually and with fair weather forecast indications are that the drop will become rapid within a few days.

After remaining stationary for nearly 24 hours, the river began to fall slowly late Tuesday and at 8 a. m. today a drop of nearly four inches from the high stage of early Tuesday was recorded.

The stage at 8 a. m. today was 36.6 feet. At 4 p. m. Tuesday the stage was 36.8 and at 8 a. m. the same day the stage was 36.9 feet, less than one-half inch under the high mark.

Cairo, Ill., May 1.—Four p. m. stage at Cairo, 46.2, rising; will reach about 46.5 feet Thursday night At New Madrid, the river will reach about 37 feet Friday. Elsewhere the rivers of this district will rise somewhat for several days.

Paducah, Ky., May 1.—Stage of the river, 33.5 feet, a rise of eight-tenths of a foot. Arrived and departed.

River Forecast:

The Mississippi in this district at Memphis and above will rise, reaching a stage of 37.5 feet, or slightly higher at Memphis by May 5 or 6. It will change little at Helena, followed by slowly rising stages by May 3. —Commercial Appeal.

FRISCO OPERATOR HEARS BYRD EXPEDITION 2:30 A. M.

Aubrey Shain, night operator at the Frisco station, told The Standard Wednesday afternoon, that at 2:30 o'clock that morning, he was in communication with the Byrd expedition which at that time was within 700 miles of the South Pole. The sender on the "cold" end of the wire, asked that the explorers be remembered to everyone in the United States.

MAY 4-11 DESIGNATED AS CELAN-UP WEEK

An anouncement by James Stewart, State Health Commissioner and seconded by Dr. U. P. Haw, Scott County Health Physician, designates the week of May 4-11 as Clean-up Week. It has been decided in a called meeting of the Council to follow the precedent of previous years in having each citizen pay the cost of hauling away trash and other materials.

The announcement by Dr. Stewart follows:

Whereas the welfare of a State depends upon the health of its citizens; and

Whereas the health of the people of a State depends to a large extent upon the cleanliness and sanitary conditions of the community in which they live, and

Whereas the State Board of Health of Missouri is charged by law with the safeguarding and protection of public health, now

Therefore the State Board of Health of Missouri does hereby designate the week beginning May 4, and ending May 11, as general clean-up week, and does invite the people of Missouri and all agencies and organizations interested in this important work to make every reasonable effort to promote cleanliness and sanitation in every city, town and village in the State.

MINER CLUB TO GIVE PRIZE FOR BEST NAME

The recently formed Young People's Club at Miner Switch, is without a name, and will be until the next meeting, which will be held May 16 at the Community Hall, beginning at 8 o'clock. At that time a suitable name will be selected from a number of suggestions now being contributed, and for the one offering the most suitable name, will be rewarded with a prize.

The purpose of the Club is to feature educational programs, to learn the development of leadership, and to have a social good time.

EX-TREASURER ARNOLD RETURNS RECORDS TO CO.

George J. Arnold, former treasurer of Scott County, returned to the County Treasurer's office this Monday, County stubs, receipts, cancelled checks and check stubs covering the period of January 1, 1921 to December 31, 1928, inclusive. This, we are informed, is the County property that the recent Grand Jury ordered placed back in safe keeping with County records. It was stated in the Grand Jury report that certain County officials had in the past, made a practice of taking records of the county with them when their term of office expired.

CORN PLANTING 2 WEEKS BEHIND IN MISSOURI

Columbia, May 1.—Plowing, corn planting and other farm activities fell two to three weeks behind the normal schedule in the cool wet weather of the last three weeks of April, the weekly Missouri crop report of the United States Weather Bureau says today.

There was slight improvement and beginning of farm activities in the northwest counties, but no planting has been possible. Corn and cotton planting made fair progress, howevre, in the extreme southeast and southern border counties.

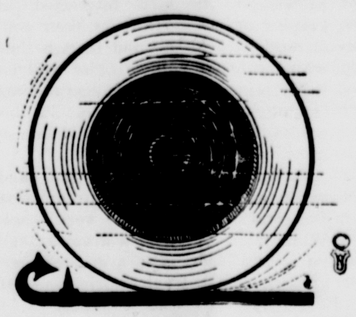
Wheat continued in very good condition generally, the report asserts. Oats were getting too much rain.

FRISCO RAIL HEARING TO BE HELD IN CAPE MAY 20

A public hearing on the application of the Frisco railroad to abandon three short branch line railroads in Southeast Missouri will be held May 20 at the Federal building in Cape Girardeau, Lee Bagby, traffic bureau manager, was advised.

The hearing will be held before the Missouri Public Service Commission which will act for itself and for the Interstate Commerce Commission before which the application was also filed. The Interstate commission asked the State body to hear the case.

Mesdames Clarence Felker, M. M. Beck, Alvin Taylor and E. E. Hudson accompanied some of the high school students to the Cape Girardeau curricular and athletic events last Friday. Mrs. Beck and Mrs. Felker remained in the city until Sunday.



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CHILD HEALTH DAY TO BE MAY 7-BENTON

Plans are rapidly taking shape for the annual Child Health Day Program sponsored by the Scott County Health Department. According to Miss Tillie Witt, County Nurse, plans now call for a lecture by Dr. Irval Coffey of the State Health Department, Jefferson City, two or more reels moving pictures, one on "The Fly Menace" and one on "Milk—the Health Food", and other entertaining and instructive features.

The meeting is open to the public and is free of charge. It will be held in the Community Building, Benton and will begin at 7:30 o'clock next Tuesday evening. May 1 is usually designated as State-wide Child Health Day, but plans in this county could not be perfected in time.

ROOTWAD CHURCH

The Rev. H. H. Harper will fill his regular appointment next Sunday morning at the Rootwad Church. Rev. N. Goldsmith and Rev. Charles Wamble are also expected to be present. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Goldsmith. Jr. Johnson is Superintendent of the Sunday School. Mr. Allard teaches. Bible Class every Sunday. The public is invited.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Regular services will be conducted at the Lutheran Church Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school at 9:45. All are welcome.

E. H. KOERBER.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Rev. Hoover announces that the sermon tpoics for Sunday morning and night will be "Prayer For Others" and "The End of the World". The public is invited to attend.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

O. P. Bellanger, Minister

Bible School, Ray Duncan, Supt. —9:45.

Morning Worship and Communion—11:00.

Christian Endeavor—6:30.

Evening Services—7:30.

Midweek Services—7:30.

The evening services will be in charge of Young People of the Christian Endeavor, and there will be four ten minute talks, by Misses Lumsden Kissner and Walter Weekly and Jas. McClennan. This will be an opportunity for the people of Sikeston to grasp an idea as to what Christianity has done and is doing for the young folk, and one cannot afford to miss this. Kemper Bruton will have charge of the song service and Mrs Bellanger will sing a solo.

The morning service Mr. Bellanger will preach on "The Great Controversy".

All are welcome.

School Girl Breaks Finger

Monica Taylor, Sophomore in the Sikeston High School, fell during gym period Wednesday morning and suffered a broken finger.

Home baked pies fresh every day at the Charlie White Building in front of Shoe Factory. 10c to 35c.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Oliver and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Duggins of St Louis were week-end guests of Mrs Duggins' mother, Mrs. Maggie Chambers.

Miss Maureen Lloyd of Cape Girardeau, who has been the guest of Miss Evelyn Sutton since Monday, returned to her home Thursday morning.

Mrs. Sadie Cunningham, who has been on an extended visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Woods, of Laurel, Miss., is here visiting friends for several weeks before going to Canada to spend the summer.

BURGLARS VISIT FARM HOME-TAKE $1000

Benton, April 30.—Burglars ransacked the farm home of Mrs. Peter Petz, a widow, near New Hamburg, Sunday morning, taking $1000 in currency and valuables. Sheriff Tom Scott, who spent Sunday and today investigating the burglary said he was without clews. The burglars entered while Mrs. Petz was away at church, ransacked the house, turning everything topsy turvy, and found the money which had been secreted. The money included $800 in paper curency and the remainder in gold and silver.

AUSTRALIAN FLYERS KILLED BY THIRST

Sydney, N. S. W., May 1.—Suffering agony from thirst and exhausted by desperate efforts to take off from the ragged terrain where they had landed, Robert Hitchcock and Lieut. Keith Anderson, of the Airplane Kockaburra, died some time either on or after April 12.

The grim story of the fate of the two men who had taken part in the air search for the airplane Southern Cross was revealed in the notes of a diary scrawled upon the rudder of their plane.

First definite news of the deaths of the men came today with report from a land party that had made its way over the rough country to the stranded rescue plane.

Attorney R. L. Ward of Caruthersville spent Wednesday in Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert drove to Oran Thursday to visit the latter's father, M. Banks.

John Cunningham, a Caruthersville banker, was a Sikeston visitor Sunday afternoon. He married Miss Monica Gill, a former Sikeston girl and granddaughter of Frank Heisler

CHECK FORGER IS OPERATING HERE

Checks drawn on the Weltecke Lbr. Company, and the Gehrhardt Construction Company have been turned down by the Sikeston Trust Company and the Bank of Sikeston as forgeries. Up to Thursday noon, a total of nine checks, ranging in amounts from $20 to $27.50 had been received, and in each case some merchant in this city or in Cape Girardeau had been the victim.

Checks were cashed by Derris Drug Company, Korgers, and the Sikes Hardware Company in this city, and by the Novelty Shope, Clifton's Cafe and others in Cape Girardeau.

The forger seems to have a working knowledge of conditions around contractors or construction company offices. In the case of Weltecke, the forger printed the name Weltecke Lumber Company and The Sikeston Trust Company on the checks; he used a numbering machine to number the checks, a typewriter, blue ribbon, a date stamp, check protector and safety paper. The result is a well-turned out check as might be given to a laborer, carpenter or other workman around construction offices. Only two mistakes were made on the Weltecke checks, the forger gave too much "curl" to the "E" ending Weltecke's name, and he guessed wrong on the Bank Company's number.

The check that was stopped Thursday morning, the sixth since Tuesday was made payable to G. Phillips for $24.75, and had been cashed by the Novelty Shop of Cape Girardeau.

The tables were reversed on Sikeston merchants. Checks cashed here were drawn on the Gehrhardt Construction Company of Cape Girardeau, the same company that built the Frisco depot and the Sensenbaugh block here.

Alfred Sikes remembers the sale of one gallon of flat wall paint to "a medium, slender woman" last Saturday. The woman, he stated, seemed to know what she wanted, and I seeing the check drawn on a construction company, thought that she ought to know. The Sikes Company is "out" $20.75, the amount of the check, the cost of one gallon of paint, and protest charges amounting to $3.00. It cost the Clifton Cafe $20.75, and the Novelty Shop of Cape Girardeau $24.75 to mention three victims. Other merchants here cannot remember their transactions.

One clue to the identity of the forger lies in the fact, that he or she used the number of a Poplar Bluff Bank instead of the correct number of the Sikeston Trust Company.

HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

MAY 3—
Southeast Missouri Girls Track meet. 3 p. m. High School athletic field. Admission 25c.

MAY 7—
Annual Home Economics dinner for School Board

MAY 8—
Junior reception to Seniors. Excursion on Cape Girardeau.

MAY 10—
Presentation of eighth grade play, "High Flyers". High School gym

MAY 12—
Annual sermon to graduating class, school and parents by Rev. A. C Rudloff. 11:00 a. m.

MAY 14—
Presentation of annual Senior play, "Tea For Tom". 8:00 p. m. High School gym.

MAY 16—
Graduation exercises in high school auditorium. Vacation until September.

BOY SCOUT DRIVE NETS $100

A little more than $100 was raised in a one-day tag day and bake sale last Saturday by the local Boy Scout troops. Mothers of the Scouts and others, donated candies, cakes and pastries for the bake sale, which netted about $50. The Scouts organized in groups, covered the town with tag buttons, and realized nearly $55. Another effort will be made to collect old magazines and newspapers, according to Scoutmaster Ensor.

Ferguson—Ferguson Iron, Tin and Sheet Metal Works moved to larger quarters to accommodate increasing business.

10 SCHOOLS ENTER TRACK MEET FRIDAY

Ten schools in Southeast Missouri have accepted the invitation of the local High School to take part in the Seventh Annual Girls' Track Meet here Friday afternoon. Entries are registered to compete in the following event: 50-yard dash, 8-pound shot put, high jump, 60-yard run, baseball throw, 75-yard run, broad jump and the 240 relay.

Twenty-one indivdiual medals have been received, and are on display at Dudley's Confectionery. In addition to this number, one Best Individaul Medal, one trophy to the relay team and one to the winner of the meet will be given, making a total of twenty-four medals or trophies.

Entrants have been received from the following schools:

Clarkton—Rilda Grooms, Julia Brooks, Emma Nell Englehardt and Elizabeth Blaylock.

Canalou—Marguerite Haywood, Verdia Smith, Vianna Bennett, Audrey McWaters, Irene Greer and Moe Brantley.

Kennett—Sara Bray, 50-yard dash; Louise Floyd or Mildred Brown, 8-pound shot; Mildred Brown, high jump; Verna Harris, baseball throw; 60-yard run, Sara Bray; 240-yd. relay, Sara Bray, Mildred Brown, Celeste Templeton, Lucy Mae Dickey, substitute, Dorothy Oakes.

Bernie—Emma Tee Moore, Lottie Summers, Ruby Goforth, Geneva Livingston, Lorence Jordan, Inez Crews, Flora Belle Young, Roslyn Jeffress and Norma Escue.

Cooter—Thelma McAdams, Velma J Travis, 50 yard dash; Mary Martha Chambers, 8-pound shot; Iris Michie and Mary Martha Chambers, 60-yard run; Thelma McAdams, Mary Martha Chambers, 75-yard run; Iris Michie, Mary Martha Chambers, broad jump. Relay team will be selected from the following six: Velma J. Travis, Thelma McAdams, Mary Martha Chambers, Iris and Myrle Michie and Ovelia Young.

Steele sent regrets on not being able to atend the meet by saying that the County Literary and Athletic meet was also scheduled for that day. "However" said Supt. L. G. Wilson, "Remembering the very pleasant visit we had with you during the basketball tournament, our regret is all the keener at not being able to accept your invitation".

Sikeston—Nell Littleton, Margaret Whidden, Margaret Baker, Irene Boyd, Gladys Frey and Ethyl Dunn.

Morley—Sara Daugherty, Leona Emerson, Ella Lee Evans, Anna Foster, Mary Alma Harris, Mildred Hufstadler, Juanita Hulin, Tilda Keen, Lena Miller, Eva Mize, Eloise Stallings and Gladys Ward.

Entrants from Poplar Bluff, Hornersville, Charleston, New Madrid and Bertrand have not been received. Other schools than the ones mentioned may participate, according to M. C. Cuningham, but ten have definitely promised to send athletes.

The track meet will begin at 3:00 p. m. this Friday at the local high school field. Admission will be 25c.

FIND CHILD DEAD IN AUTO NEAR MATTHEWS

Matthews, April 30.—Coroner D. A. Childs was called to the Daugherty Filling Station to hold an inquest over a little child that had been found dead in a car occupied by Mexican tourists.

Death was pronounced due to asphyxiation from carbon monoxide gas, and was probably due to the underfed condition of the child, which made resistance impossible. Death came instantly, according to the coroner. The Mexicans claimed the child for their own, and secured a dry goods box from Mr. Daugherty, wrapped the body in a shirt and buried it in the negro burying ground on the Steele place.

The following guests were entertained Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert: Mr. and Mrs. S. Feinberg and family, Portageville, Mr. and Mrs. M. Feinberg and daughter of Portageville, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Segal of Portageville, Mr. and Mrs. L. Freidman and daughter of East Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. M. Freidman and family of Charleston Mr. Segal returned to Portageville Monday, but Mrs. Segal remained in Sikeston and drove to East Prairie with Mr. Lampert to visit Mr. and Mrs. L. Freidman, Monday afternoon.

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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AS I SEE IT

By I'm About Town

Equipment with which the average college graduate sets out to wrest a living from the world: A set of golf clubs, an ability to recognize 20 per cent of the words in any French or German newspaper, a jar of hair cream, a ukulele, a hazy idea of why Hannibal crossed the Alps, an Omicron Omega Omicron pin, a copy of Whoozis' "Analytical Geometry", a college sweater, a taste for a gin a nodding acquaintance with the Elizabethan drama, a fiancee and an oblong of parchment engraved in Latin.—K. C. Star.

Heinie Henry will probably run the Man About Town out of town for this, but this story of Heinie's first attempt as umpire at a ball game is too good to keep.

The score was even up and the visitors had two down and three men on. The third batter stepped to the plate, swung twice and the catcher on Heinie's side, caught the man on third napping. The side was retired.

The same gent with the two swings naturally headed the batting list in the next inning. He took a hefty swing, and Heinie sang out, "You're out".

"Aw, what th'—" came back from the batsman. "I only got one strike". Don't give me none of that", retorted Heinie, "I said you're Out. You had two strikes left from last inning".

Anyone seeing a chain running around with a brindle dog at one end, please call Chris Schmedit.—Ad in Palmyra Spectator.

Said one of our want-ad users Tuesday afternoon: "Say, I wan't you to stop my ad"—and the office pup pricked up his ears, because, continued the customer, "I'm getting too many answers".

And that is no bed-time story, either.

Just as Larue Hamby, good looking truckman for McKnight-Keaton, was unloading the last of some 2650 pounds of block salt, some bright egg stepped up and said, "Say Mister, that guy Morton must have had lots of relatives to put away."

No, Adolphos, the man was not unloading little tombstones. It was only stock salt.

Dick Swanner wishes to informs A. J. Renner, Farm Agent, that Privet Hedges can be pressed into service as stock feed. A demonstration of the edibility of said hedge growth will be given any Saturday afternoon while teams are "parked" next to Dick's pride and joy at the City Hall, Sikeston, Mo.

In a moving picture magazine, we read that Antonio Bianchi, Charleston, Ill., movie house manager, was arrested for showing pictures on Sunday. Said magazine stated that Bianchi was violating a State law passed in 1845. Besides being dubious about the date, we have often wished for such a law in Missouri—when the old family picture album was going the rounds.

You know the kind of conversation: 'Now, Blanche, this is the CUTest thing. I think it's just DARling of AMBrose at the age of four months", and little AMBrose, now 21, will blush with righteous shame as his stark anatomy falls under the scrutinizing gaze of a dozen gazelles. And why not, we ask?

Our good friend Tip Keller is a real patriot. Takes Mayor Fuch's clean-up proclamation serious and all that When noticed with a bottle of Baden-Baden or Pluto water, this week, he held it aloft and announced that he for one was going to observe the order.

MALONE AVENUE—FOREST

Work has been started on Malone Avenue Parkway. Workmen for the city under the direction of Lon Swanner are clearing away rocks and leveling the site in preparation for two or three cars of good top soil. If present plans mature, the parkway will represent an investment of some $400 or $500 but even a casual glance at the forest of telephone and telegraph poles along the street at this time, will tell that it will be money thrown away—unless the companies who own the lines place their wires in conduits and remove the unsightly poles. It has been suggested that the two or more companies combine their lines on one set of ornate poles; however, we are of the opinion that it would be more satisfactory and more in keeping with good engineering principles to place each set, telephone, telegraph and signal wires, if any, in separate conduits.

Both companies are progressive. The railroad company especially, has shown every courtesy in dealing with the problem of improving the physical appearance of the city and of its right-of-way. The telegraph and telephone companies, if both are involved, are known as progressive organizations, and we feel that if the suggestion be made to them that by removing the veritable forest of unsightly poles, guy wires, and anchors they would be co-operating with the whole city in its beautification program, that they would willingly lend their assistance.

Whatever is to be done, should be done at once, before the city and civic organizations invest their money in permanent improvements.

PARENTS' DAY ATTRACTS MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED

More than one hundred Sikeston mothers and fathers visited the grade school rooms Wednesday "to see how their particular children were being educated", as one of the number stated.

No special programs had been prepared by Miss Maude Herring or by her corps of teachers. Regular every-day routine work in the respective class rooms was carried on so that parents could gain a fair knowledge of the system.

Three more girl Civil Service students at the Chillicothe Business College received Washington appointments last week while another of its boys was assigned to the Drainage Office at Kansas City.

The visitation of a farm home by burglars who took $1000 in cash recently leads to some interesting speculation as to whether it is safer in the minds of people to deposit their savings in tin cans or in banking institutions. A tin can buried in the cellar, or a wad of loose change stuffed between mattresses, may be safe, and again it may not; but one thing is certain, it will draw no interest. Money cached away is exposed to more hazards from fire, sudden destruction of home and hiding place, and from burglars, than is money placed on deposit or in a savings account in a reputable bank. It seems strange to write of this condition in this day and time, but this condition of distrust in banks does prevail, and in some cases rightly so. The writer has been reliably informed, particularly by one automobile dealer, that hundreds of his rural customers have amounts of money running into four figures, cached away. One bank in a thousand may fail, but a baking powder can containing a lifetime's savings is liable to be lost to every maundering sneak thief in the country.

WASTE OF MONEY TO CULL CHICKENS NOW, SAYS TEAL

There is only one valid reason for culling a flock of chickens at this time of year, according to County Agent Teal and that is that the owner needs money and must sell something in order to realize cash.

Since it is the natural tendency for hens to lay eggs in the spring and many of them will lay whether they are fed or not, to get rid of a bunch of mature chickens in the spring is a little bit like killing the goose that lays the golden egg. Frequently very few eggs have been secured from a flock during winter months, and yet during that time the chickens have, no doubt, consumed considerable quantities of feed. It is very doubtful, thinks the County Agent, that an increase of four or five cents per pound in selling price will begin to make up for the amount of feed consumed during the months of December, January, February and March.

The ideal time to cull chickens is from July to October. At that time of year, well fed chickens will show their inability to continue production and no difficulty is experienced in picking them out.

Although several calls have come in within the past few weeks relative to culling chickens, County Agent Teal says that where flocks have been examined it has been practically impossible to distinguish the average layer from the poor ones. In most cases, this condition is due to the feeding system used. Not enough feed is being given the chickens or else it is not properly balanced. Sometimes the roosting quarters are poor, making it necessary for the flocks to use all their food to provide heat and energy against the same as outdoor roosting.

At any rate, although it is a good plan to discard undesirable birds in all months of the year and although the poultry owner who pays close attention to his flock will actually cull during every season of the year, the culling of the flock to determine which birds shall be retained for hatching egg production the following winter should be done in the late summer or early fall.

County Agent Teal says it is his intention in future to cull flocks only for demonstration purposes when assurance has been given him that the flock owner will have at least five neighbors present to witness the demonstration.

Home cooked dinner every day at Eskrigde's Place, Chamber of Commerce Addition.

Two Santa Fe R. R. division points Chanute, Kans., and Clovis, N. Mex. secured stenographers from the Chillicothe Business College last week providing transportation and offering good salaries.

The Rev. O. P. Bellanger left for Henderson, Ky., Thursday, to be present at the funeral of a friend, Rev. W. R. Wells, who died Monday. Services will be conducted Friday afternoon and Rev. Bellanger will return to this city, Saturday.

SOYBEANS MAKE EXCELLENT CROP FOR FLAT FARM LANDS

There is perhaps no other crop known at the present time that can be grown for either seed or hay, on flat areas which are in need of lime, to as good an advantage as the soybean crops, says R. E. Uhlan of the Missouri College of Agriculture. This is especially true where farmers are producing livestock which requires plenty of hay that is high in protein, and are also interested in keeping up the fertility of their soil. It must be held in mind though that while soybeans will do quite well on fairly acid soils, the response to lime is quite noticeable not only in increase of valuable protein.

It has been observed that land which has been cropped to soybeans for several years become very loose. While this may prove a disadvantage on rolling lands, it is a decided advantage on the level prairie land of Mississippi and other counties.

The growing of a few crops of well inoculated soybeans, increases the organic matter and nitrogen content of the soil and thus makes the soil more productive and better able to withstand severe drought. The ability of the tap root to penertate into the subsurface layer of soil and help in loosening that area which tends to prevent normal subsurface drainage has a lot to do the improvement in natural drainage of heavy land.

The experience of the writer who grew soybeans for two years on heavy sharky clay loam soil, has demonstrated conclusively the value of soybeans as crop to improve the physical condition of the ground. The field in which beans had been planted, plowed and worked down like a fine mellow loam, rather than heavy clay. The difference was so remarkable that there could be no mistake as to the actual reason.

BERTRAND SCHOOL TO PRESENT PLAY MAY 3

The Bertrand High School will present the play, "Aunt Jerusa on the Warpath" at the Miner Community Hall Friday night, May 3, beginning at 7:30 o'clock shrp. Admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

DEPUTY WARDEN'S FINED FOR HUNTING ON SUNDAY

Bloomfield April 30.—A jury in Circuit Court here yesterday found D. E. Adams and J. E. McKinney, State Deputy Game Wardens, guilty under an old statute for hunting on Sunday, and fined each $25 and costs. This was the first conviction under the law in many years in this part of Missouri.

The wardens were arrested following their campaign against hunters alleged to have hunted ducks after sundown in Stoddard County. Adams resides at Dexter and McKinney at Poplar Bluff. Dave Meadows of Puxico, another warden, also charged with the same offense, failed to appear for trial and his $500 bond was forfeited.

The State produced a surprise witness, who identified himself as a Federal game warden, and who testified that he saw McKinney shoot a duck on a Sunday. He recalled the incident, declaring duck had not been killed, but crippled. McKinney ran after it when it fell, he said. The defendants said that they were on official business while in the woods watching for game law violators, and that they did not use their weapons. They carried weapons nearly all the time, they testified.

Alleged Qulin Robber Captured

Poplar Bluff, April 30.—Sheriff Ray McCown is on his way to Los Angeles, Cal., to take charge of Hunter Albritton and Orville Taylor, charged with complicity in the Qulin Bank robbery on February 28, 1928, following the arrest of Taylor there Sunday. Taylor was recaptured after he escaped from officers there two weeks ago, according to McCown.

Sikeston Standard, $1.50 per year.

BETTER SERVICE CLUB MEETS AT POPLAR BLUFF

Employees of the local Missouri Utilities Company went to Poplar Bluff Tuesday night to attend the regular monthly meeting of employes of the company. The following attended: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brenton, ton, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Beck, P. Martin, Fred Ancell, Grady Davis, Misses Jennie Trousdale, Effie Campbell, Miss McCarney of Cape Girardeau and Mr. and Mrs. Hill of Charleston. The local group was joined by representatives of the Dexter office and plants.

Meetings are scheduled at different points in the district, and matters of interest to the employes and the company discussed.

Farmers and Merchants of Westphalia merged with Bank of Westphalia.

Our Mayor and Council have designated next week as Cleaning and Paint Up Week While you are busy cleaning up Let Us Do

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FINDS SPEED CAUSES MOST AUTO ACCIDENTS

"Too much speed for conditions" is given as the most common cause of motor vehicle fatalities during the past year, in a statement issued by Girard C. Varnum, secretary-manager of the St. Louis Safety Council.

Nine other factors which Varnum includes in the list of principal causes are:

Cars not under control on busy traffic streets.

Inattention while driving.

Poor driving judgment.

Failure to observe right-of-way rule.

Failure of drivers to realize their individual responsibility in driving.

Poor brakes and glaring headlights.

Lack of consideration on the part of motorists for adult and child pedestrians.

Overloading of small passenger cars.

Impatience of motorists over small delays.

"Many drivers do not know what speed is a safe speed", Varnum said. "Thirty miles an hour in some sections of the city where there are no intervening streets, is much safer than 20 miles an hour on certain residence or busines stretes where pedestrian and motor traffic is heavy.

"A common cause of poor driving judgment has frequently been found among drivers who have imbibed too freely in alcoholic intoxicants. It is not infrequent to read in the press of the disastrous result of some roadhouse party where the driver of an automobile, not intoxicated and apparently feeling sober and believing himself to be sober, has run into a lamp post or into another motor car or has run down a pedestrian.

"One bit of advice that will be given to motor car drivers is that they never attempt to operate their cars after having indulged to any great extent in intoxicants.

Courthouse Dedication, May 16

Poplar Bluff, April 29.—J. H. Wolpers, chairman of the general committe selected by the County Court to prepare plans for dedication of the new $300,000 courthouse here, has announced that the ceremonies will be held May 16. Ed L. Abbington, veteran member of the Butler County Bar Association, will deliver the chief address. Robert L. Ward of Caruthersville, president of the Southeast Missouri Bar Association, also is scheduled to speak. Wolpers believes from 15,000 to 20,000 people will attend the program.

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Sikeston Lumber Company

Steve Humphrey, Mgr.

METHODIST SENATOR DENOUNCES HIS CHURCH BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

Washington, April 29.—Denouncing the activity of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Church, Senator Copeland today flatly denied that he had voted for a prohibition bill because that organization asked him to do so.

The Senator, who is a Methodist, said a "lobbyist" of the association visited him and asked him as a member of that church to vote for a bill imposing cloture upon the measure, whereupon, Copeland asserted, he told the man that he bitterly resented "this attempted interference by an officer of my church in a matter of politics".

Although convinced that the Volstead act cannot be enforced in its present form, the Senator said he will vote as a good citizen, for every reasonable method holding out hope of enforcement.

Copeland's views were given in a letter written to Dr. Clarence True Wilson, head of the asosciation.

The communication follows:

'Nothing could be more painful to me than a controversy with my church or any of its officials. But I must say something to you today that I do not like to say.

"I have been greatly concerned for years over what I regard to be an improper activity, the work at Washington of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Church, in its manifest efforts to dictate and control legislation. I disapprove this. That, as I view it, is not the function of the Methodist Church. Our traditional attitude has been one of rebellion against ecclesiastical interference with the State. Yet we are doing exactly what we have demanded shal not be done by the Catholics. Had that branch of the Christian church erected a building adjoining the Capitol there would have been vehement denunciation from every Methodist pulpit. As I see it we cannot afford to do what we are unwilling for others to do".

SUGAR CONSUMPTION IN U. S. IS 110 POUNDS PER CAPITA

Sugar consumption in the United States has generally tended upward since 1909, says the United States Department of Agriculture. The peak seems to have been reached in 1925. In that year the total estimated raw sugar available for consumption reached 6,648,00 short tons, making a per capita consumption figure for the year of 114.4 pounds.

In 1926 and in 1927 both the total and the per capita consumption declined. For 1926 the per capita consumption figure was 110.6 pounds, and in 1927, 110.1 pounds. Figures for 1928 are not yet available.

World consumption of all raw sugar in the year ended August 30, 1928, acording to an Austrian estimate, was 28,375,000 short tons, or 4.8 per cent more than in the corresponding sugar of 1926-27, and 21.1 per cent greater than in 1923-24. The gain is largely attributable to increased consumption in Europe, where both production and imports have advanced. Europe's total consumption in 1927-28 was 40.5 per cent greater than in 1923-24. Small increases took place in Asia, Africa, and Australia. Sugar consumption in North and South America during this period expanded in a considerably smaller degree.

MYERS-CAERNO

Announcement was made at the Sigma Kappa dinner dance given at the Madison Club Saturday evening of the engagement of Miss Margaret Caverno, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Xenophon Caverno, Canalou, Mo., to Samuel P. Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs Peter Myers, Racine, Wis.

Miss Caverno, a member of Sigma Kapp sorority, will be graduated from the university this year.

Mr. Myers is a graduate of Ripon college and of the University of Wisconsin Law School. He is affiliated with Acacia and Phi Alpha Delta fraternities. At present he is practicing law in Racine.

The abve announcement appeared in the Sunday, April 28 edition of the Wisconsin State Journal, Madison Miss Caverno is attending the University of Wisconsin.

A mocking brid was making monkeys out of a dozen or more other songsters Sunday night late. Said bird made a noise which more resembled a blue jay than blue jays ordinarily produce. Whether or not this particular entertainer de luxe acquired his ability to imitate and surpass anything from a sparrow's glutteral chirp to the silver throated warble of a canary or whether it is a gift of the gods we cannot say, but few things in life have given more pleasure.

CITY ASKED FOR $100 ARKOMA FUND

A Sikeston quota of $100 was asked for at the second annual convention of the Arkoma Highway Association meeting in Okmulgee, Okla., recently. The Association hopes to be able to route East and West traffic from Cairo through Sikeston and into Oklahoma on its way to the coast.

Other features of the Okmulgee meeting were the following:

Provision was made for the immediate publication of at least fifty thousand copies of a strip map and log of the highway to be apportioned to various twons along the route in the ration of 500 maps for each $100 subscription to the association fund.

The maps are to be delivered with the back blank in order that each town, if it so desires, may deliver them to their local printer for additional advertising of the town or locality.

Harrison, Ark., was selected as the place for the 1929 fall meeting of the Association.

Towns in Southeast Missouri and Arkansas and their respective budget quotas are as follows:

Mammoth Spring	$100
Hardy	100
Willifred	25
Imboden	100
Pocahontas	100
Biggers & Reyno	50
Corning	100
Neelyville	25
Poplar Bluff	100
Dexter	50
Sikeston	100
Charleston	50
Cairo	250

Acording to E. B. Guthrey, this is a "we" and not a personal undertaking and the degree of success we attain is going to depend largely upon the degree of co-operation and prompt action of the membership of the association.

If you give us your prompt co-operation now, we believe that we can confidently promise you real results during the coming summer and fall months.

DEEDS RECORDED IN NEW MADRID COUNTY

Peples Bank of Morehouse to Morehouse Trust Co.: All of lot No 6 in block 14 in City of Morehouse, $5000.

Thomas Grace nad wife to Morton E. Freeman and Clare Undle, his daughter, all of lots 3 and 4 in block 8 in Webb and Hyde's addition to City of Parma. $800.

Ludcik Dvorak and wife to Hugh Ritchie: 71.60 acres, more or less, the S 1-2 of the NW 1-4 of Sec. 25, Twp.21, range 10, except 10 acres more or less. $1 and other valuable consideration.

J. M. Hill et al to Royal E. Alsup and wife: All of lots 7 and 8, block 10 of the original town of Mathews $750.

Meyer Albert Grocery Co. to Oliver Owens: All lot 26, block 45, all in Barnes addition to town of Marston $1 and other valuable consideration.

John Blake et al to H. M. Ford: All lot 13 block 5 of Himmelberger-Harrison Lbr. Co. 2nd addition to Risco. $1 and exchange of property.

H. M. Ford and wife to John Blake et al: Lot 2 block 10 Himmelberger-Harison addition to village of Risco $1 and exchange of property.

Sallie May James to Lee James: Lot 3 in block 15 in original town of Portageville. All that part of a lot lyin E of said above described lot 3 and W of the public road in block 15 in original town of Portageville. $1 and other valuable consideration.

Leon F. Swartz and wife to E. A. Schmidt: All of lots 4, 5 and .., blk. 9 in the original town of Mathews, and all improvements thereon. $1.00 and other valuable consideration.

W. W. Largeant and wife to J. V. Marr: All of the S 1-2 of lots 11 and 12 in block 2 in the original town of Portageville. $1.00.

W. W. Largent and wife to J. V. Marr: All their undivided interest in and to S 1-2 of lots 11 and 12 in blk 2 in DeLisle's First Adition to City of Portageville. $1.0.—New Madrid Record.

HOLDER-COWELL

Otis Cowell of Kewanee and Miss Opal Holder of Sikeston, Mo., were united in marriage Wednesday morning in the County Clerk's office in this city by 'Squire Peter Smith which was witnessed by several cunty officials and visitors at the Court House.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Tucker and family moved from Sikeston Monday and are now occupying their residence in the northwest part of the city, which they purchased about a month ago and have had completely remodeled.—New Madrid Record.

Phillips Petroleum Company opened station in Ozark recently.

NEXT WEEK IS

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A FEW RULES ON CARE OF MEAT IN SUMMER

With the advent of summer the housewife should keep in mind a few simple precautions in caring for the family supply of meat, and particularly that which is purchased on Saturday to use over the week-end. The meat is in good condition when it arrives from the market and the housewife can maintain it in this condition if she will follow these few rules laid down by the National Live Stock and Meat Board.

As soon as the meat arrives home, is thould be unwrapped and placed in a clean refrigerator. The reason is this: When the meat is wrapped up at the shop a certain amount of air is enclosed in the paper. This air is the same temperature as the air of the shop. If the paper os not removed the cold air of the refrigerator is prevented from reaching the meat. Consequently the surface of the meat spoils.

Meat, as well as every other food, should be protected from contamination.

After meat is cook there is frequently a large piece left over and it sometimes happens that the housewife puts this into the refrigerator while it is still warm. This is not a good practice because the warm meat heats the air of the refrigerator so that other foods may be impaired, and also because a large piece of meat will often cool thoroughly on the surface but the niner portion may spoil because it does not become cood. Warm meat should be cooled at room temperature before putting it in the refrigerator.

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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HEDGES, HORSES AND ASSES

Dick Swanner is blue very blue, and for a good reason. Farmers who drive to town in lumber and farm wagons have the habit of late of allowing their teams to roam at will in the small vacant lot between the City Hall and the Welsh bulding. The result is that over-ambitious Missouri mules have succeeded in ambling over to Dick's hedge and mutilating it. One of several things might be done, the farmers in question might provide enough hay and corn to satisfy the appetites of their animals while in town so that the pride and joy of the City Hall keeper—the hedge—be not eaten; the Police Judge and his force might, of course, act as Guardians of the Hedge—they won't, but they might—or the farmers could be instructed to tie their teams elsewhere. One thing is certain in the estimation of Dick Swanner and a number of Sikeston folks who take pride in the appearance of the city, and that is that Privet Hedge, while they may make good horse feed, were not intended for that purpose.

The editor drove over every section of Sikeston a few days ago with Commissioner Lon Swanner and was much pleased to see the splendid condition of the streets of the city. Streets have been opened and graded in the new High School addition that opens some very desirable lots for residence purposes. Cross streets from North Ranney have been graded for the first time. Streets in the Ned Mathews addition have been put into fine condition, as well as those of the Chamber of Commerce Addition. In this last named addition, those streets that were oiled last summer have held solid through the winter which shows the city was on the right track when no money was available for gravel or hard streets. The streets of Ward Two, Three and Four have been trimmed by the grader, gutters cleaned and surface sewers put in as good condition as possible. Swanner certainly has accomplished wonders with his street crew and every taxpayer owes them a debt of gratitude for services rendered.

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Citizens of Charleston are displeased with present arrangements to handle U. S. mail from Poplar Bluff to Charleston. The Missouri Pacific Railroad recently discontinued the only train, and supplanted that service with a bus line. Mail service has been delayed through this arrangement, the citizens state.

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"A kiss", says Sentimental Stella, "is the shortest distance between two parties".—Post-Dispatch.

Echoes of the Hoover Message

Chicago—The following article is a reprint of an editorial appearing in a recent issue of the Chicago Evening Post:

The message of President Hoover to the special session of Congress brought a number of unexpected developments in its wake. Most important of all from the farm viewpoint was a sharp dip in the prices of grain, due mostly to "selling on the good news"—a familiar occurrence in the stock market—and a series of denunciations by the most extreme among the group of farm relief legislators.

In this connection, a point raised by Frank L. Schreiner, Chicago Board of Trade operator, is worth considering. After calling attention to Senator Capper's "sensational complaint that Kansas has 40,000,000 bushels of wheat on hand", he recalled certain incidents that took place about a year ago.

At that time a sudden improvement in weather conditions, with its implication of a larger crop yield, bro't about a sharp decline in wheat prices. Senator Capper promptly asserted that speculators had cost the Kansas farmers millions of dollars. His attack was followed by a statement from Secretary of Agriculture Jardine, who, in sympathy and in many of his activities, was aligned with the farm bloc in Congress, urging the farmers to hold their wheat.

What followed is now agricultural history. The farmers responded to their political leaders by holding their grains in storage. The Canadian wheat pool took advantage of the situation to market a part of their surplus abroad as quickly as possible. American wheat exports for 1928 were 51,234,000 bushels lower than in 1927 as a result, and Kansas—upon the authority of the latest Capper statement—is now "long" some 40,000,000 bushels of wheat carried over from last year. And the winter wheat crop is in far better condition at present than in 1928.

The connection between the huge carry-on of old wheat in Kansas and the Jardine advice seems unmistakable. With this example of snap judgment by the political farmer element and its results before him, the grain grower will do well to stand by the Hoover farm relief program, which offers a greater probability of success because it places thoroughness and accuracy of information among its very important preliminaries.

Air the matress by drawing it over the footboard of the bed and opening all windows for an hour.

A flower cut in the morning will last twice as long as one cut later in the day when the sun is shining on it.

One of the most important industries in Doniphan is the Wright Gravel Co., owned and operated by Miss Dorothy Wright. The concern has been employing a large number of workmen, filling contracts for the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. and other concerns from the pits on Current River. A night shift has been drawing gravel from the pit for the past two weeks, and an average of 20 carloads are shipped from Doniphan each day. Miss Wright, who personally manages the industry plans to re-arrange the equipment so as to increase the output to from 30 to 35 cars daily.

HIGHWAY DEPT. TO PAINT MAIL BOXES

Jefferson City, April 29.—Another step towards Highway beautification was undertaken when the Highway Department instructed its division engineers to paint all mail boxes, racks and standards with guard-rail white paint. Details of the proposition as announced by T. H. Cutler, chief engineer, follow:

The attractiveness of the State Highway depends much upon the detailed treatment of adjoining properties as well as the general scenic view. A small detail not properly cared for is apt to mar the entire picture.

Such is the case when mail boxes are improperly erected on crooked broken, decayed, or leaning posts. The dilapidated appearance of a roadside utility detracts very much from the otherwise good impression made by the general scenery along the road. The State Highway Department has realized the truth in this fact and has had under consideration, since the beginning of its maintenance work, the proper erection and care of mail boxes along the State highways.

In September, 1925, the postmasters of all towns and cities in this State were asked to co-operate with the Highway Department in having mail boxes placed at specified locations along the highway, with a view to offering the least interference with the operation of maintenance machinery. Since then a campaign has been carried on continually to secure such suitable location and also the proper erection of the boxes.

Instructions are now being issued by the Bureau of Maintenance to all the division engineers of the department to paint, with guard-rail white paint, all mail boxes, racks, standards, or posts, wherever they have been installed on State highways in accordance with our plans and suggestions.

We feel that a decided forward step will have been taken in the highway beautification program when al mail boxes are thus properly erected and painted white. Such mail boxes will not then detract the attention of the automobile driver from the road ahead, nor will they prevent his observing our standard signs and markers.

The department's plans provide that all posts or standards supporting mail boxes shall be set at least 18" beyond the outer edge of the ditch line, except on embankments where they need be placed 18" beyond the shoulder line of the road. Mail boxes may project 18" inside the shoulder line toward the center of the roadway, but they must be attached to posts in such a manner that they can be easily and quickly moved out of the way of maintenance equipment during its operation on the road surface or the side ditches. The standard or post, on which the mail box is to rest, should be implanted deep enough in the ground to prevent it from eventually leaning or falling over.

The community mail box rack is recommended for locations where two or more mail boxes are used at corners of intersecting roads or streets. A large number of mail boxes can be placed on the same standard and thus do away with the individual post for each box. On request, the State Highway Department will gladly furnish sketches showing simple and inexpensive methods for mail box erection. It should be noted that there is only one stipulation that the department specifies as a requisite to its painting the mail boxes and that is they all ,at any one location, must be erected to our standard. It would be useless to have one or two mail boxes mar the effectiveness of others.

We believe that, in undertaking to paint and repaint the mail boxes on the State Highways, the department is rendering a service of convenience, comfort, and safety to the traveling public. We are sure that this service will add much to the pleasing effect of our State Highways.

The Highway Department is taking the initiative in this very practical step of improving the roadside appearance by thus assuming the task of painting all mail box racks, standards, or posts, that have been erected in accordance with our plans or suggestions. The owners of the mail boxes can, with very little expense and effort, place their mail boxes in condition for painting. Their co-operation is desired by the Highway Department.

Civic clubs, individuals, city and county organizations which are now, or may be in the future, sponsoring the beautification movement in their community, have not only an opportunity at hand, but a responsibility to meet in securing the co-operation of property owners along the highways and their acceptance of the standards set up by the State Highway Department. To such organizations we make the appeal that their programs for this year include this very practical and progressive step.

CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP PROCLAMATION

Get Ready For The Outdoor Months!

Let us make our city as clean and orderly as the cleanest homes. Our citizens have the ambition and the ability to achieve that ideal, through everybody's co-operation. Therefore the week of

May 6 to 11 Inclusive

Is hereby designated and proclaimed as the Week of Thorough Campaign to Clean Up and Reduce Fire and Disease Risks.

Away with winter rubbish! Cut the weeds! Banish the plague spots! Clean the yards, the streets and alleys. Clean out the attics and cellars. Repair everything about your building that needs it, and use paint and disinfectant liberally to keep things clean and orderly and protected. Our city needs all this cleaning and caretaking right now far more than ever before.

This is everybody's job. Every man, woman and child is invited and expected to help. Let there be no slackers.

The city has arranged with truck drivers to call at your place and remove all rubbish and trash that you collect. They will make a charge and you will be expected to pay same at the time of removal. Every citizen must heed this proclamation for if they disregard it the city will have the work done and you will have to pay the entire bill.

Phone No. 9 and tell the City Clerk when your debris is ready.

N. E. FUCHS, Mayor

The Cleanest City Is The Safest City Against Fire And Disease. Give Heed!

JONES WANTS HIS DRY LAW APPLIED TO SHIP TOURISTS

Washington, April 29.—Senator Wesley L. Jones of Washington wants to know why the law which fixes penalties of five years in prison and fines of $10,000 for prohibition violators is not being enforced against tourists who bring liquor into the United States from foreign countries.

Saying he had only recently been told that persons found with liquor in their possesion on landing from foreign ports are usually fined $5 for each bottle, he declared he intended to take up the matter with the Treasury Department. He said he did not know of any authority under which the department's customs service could pursue such a policy, and would ask whether it is being done, if so, why, and further, why such cases are not prosecuted under the Jones law.

Miss E. L. Foster, a British woman, competing at Bisley, England, recently made a new world's record rifle score of 105. Shooting at 200 yards she scored 35, another 35 at 500, and a third 35 at 600.

Jake Goldstein, who recently purchased the old laundry building near the ice plant, has installed powerful shears in the building and is cutting up scrap iron for shipment. By cutting the iron in short lengths, more of it can be packed in a car and it brings a better price on the market.

EXCESSIVE RAINS HURT CENTRAL MISSOURI CROPS

Boonville, April 29.—Excessive rains in Central Msisouri for the past two weeks, especially late last week, have set farmers far behind in their work with every prospect of a backward season ahead. Before the heavy rain, accompanied by hail, last week, the farmers were at least two weeks behind in seasonal work, and now it will be impossible for any field work within another week—good weather provided. This is according to reports from farmers throughout Central Missouri.

Some Howard County farmers located in the low bottoms have almost despaired of getting in a crop of corn. In the first place, it was a wet winter, which gave the soil lots of moisture deep into the ground. Then the spring turned out to be wet, and now the latest "soaker", to say nothing of surface water in the flats, have made the situation critical. Many of the farmers in this section plant corn during the latter part of April and the first of May, and in numerous cases it takes these same farmers 30 days to prepare the seed beds, inundating wheat fields already yellow with too much moisture and too little sunshine.

Sherman Patterson, 20, a farmer near Poplar Bluff, stepped from a moving tractor, walked around in front to adjust the machinery, fell to the ground and was run over by the tractor. He was taken to a hospital at Poplar Bluff for treatment. His condition is serious.

Fairmount—Fairmount Park will be opened May 11.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector of the Revenue in and for the County of Scott in the State of Missouri,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Chaffee Building & Investment Company, a corporation, Sylvester Mosley, Willie Mosley, C. P. Reissaus, Trustee, J. W. Ingram,

Defendants,

In the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri,

To the August Term, 1929.

No. 3860

Suit For Back Taxes.

Now on this 25th day of March, 1929, comes the Plaintiff herein by attorney, H. C. Blanton, and shows to the Court that heretofore and on the 20th day of October, 1928, the Plaintiff filed his petition herein and summons was issued to the Defendants herein and delivered to the Sheriff, returnable to the March Term, 1929, of this Court; and that heretofore and on the first day of the present term of this Court, the Sheriff made return of said Summons; "that the defendants Sylvester Mosley, Willie Mosley and Chaffee Building & Investment Company, a corporation, cannot be Found"; and the Court being satisfied that service of summons cannot be had herein on said Defendants;

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE COURT, That the Defendants, Chaffee Building & Investment Company, a corporation, Sylvester Mosley and Willie Mosley, be notified by publication that the Plaintiff herein has commenced an action against them in this Court, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the payment and the lien of the Plaintiff for State and County Taxes for the years of 1923, 1924 and 1925, in the sum of $83.71, and interest and costs, against the following described real estate, to-wit:

All of Lot No. 7 in Block No. 21 of the Original Town of Chaffee, Scott County, Missouri.

And unless said Defendants be and appear at the next regular term of this Court, to be holden at the Court House in the Town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, on the Second Monday in August, next, 1929, and then and there, on or before the first day of said term, before the judge of said Court, answer or plead to plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly as prayed for in Plaintiff's petition and said property sold to satisfy the judgment and the lien of the Plaintiff.

It is further ordered by the Court, that a copy hereof be published in The Sikeston Standard, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published in Scott County, Missouri, to be published once a week for four successive weeks, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the said August Term, 1929, of this Court, to which this cause is continued.

A true copy from the record.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I (SEAL) have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, done at the office in Benton, Missouri, this 8th day of April, 1929.

T. F. HENRY, Circuit Clerk.

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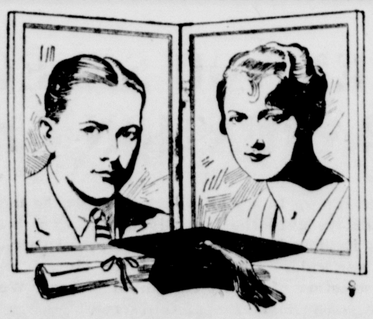

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CHAPTER IV

It is said that there comes a day in the life of every handler of bad horses when he will mount one and ride him out, master him and dismount—and forever after decline to ride another. Riley Foster was evidence of this. For three years Rile and Bangs had been inseparable, riding together on every job, and the shaggy youth topped off the animals in Foster's string before the older man would mount them. As Bangs went about his work his faded blue eyes were ever turned toward the Three Bar boss who stood in the door of the blacksmith shop.

The girl was vaguely troubled as she noted this. Bangs and Foster had returned for their second season at the Three Bar. All through the previous summer the boy had evidenced his silent adoration, his eyes following her every move.

The scene round Billie was one of strenuous activity, every effort bent toward whipping the remuda into shape for the calf round-up in the least possible space of time.

Green horses were led out, one after another, to be saddled for the first time, and those previously broken required a few workouts to knock the wire edge off their unwillingness to carry a rider after a winter of freedom on the range.

Three men were shoeing horses tied to snubbing posts at ten-yard intervals before the shop. One animal that had fought viciously against this treatment had been thrown and stretched, his four feet roped to convenient posts, and while he struggled and heaved on the ground Rile Foster calmly fitted and nailed the shoes on him. Cal Harris finished shoeing the colt he was working.

"That's the last touch," he said. "My string is all set to go."

"You have five colts gentled for your circle bunch," she said. "But you didn't pick a single cow horse. The boys have sorted out the best ones and the few that are left won't answer for a man that insists on a gentled string."

"Creamer and Calico will do for me," he said. "I broke them myself and maybe I can worry along."

"Did you break them like that?" she asked. Bangs was topping a horse that strenuously refused to be conquered and as they looked on the animal threw himself.

"Like that? Well, no—not precisely," Harris said. "They're not breaking horses. They're proving that they're bronc-peelers that can ride 'em before they're broke. A horse started out that way will be a bronc till the day he dies."

Three men were lashing their bed rolls and war bags on three pack horses and when this task was completed they rode down the lane, each one leading his pack animal. Harris

Bangs Was Topping a Horse That Strenuously Refused to Be Conquered.

knew this as evidence that they would start after the calves on the following day. The custom was to exchange representatives to ride with each wagon within a reasonable distance, the reps to look after the interest of the brand for which they rode.

"How many reps do you trade?" he asked.

"Three," she said. "Halfmoon D, V L and with Slade."

The Halfmoon D lay some fifteen miles eastward along the foot of the hills; the V L the same distance to the west, but cached away in a pocket that led well back into the base of the range, a comparatively small outfit owned by the Brandons, father and four sons, who made every effort to keep the bulk of their cows ranging in their own home basin and exchanged reps only with the Three Bar.

Slade's home place lay forty miles south and a little west and his cows grazed for over a hundred miles, requiring three wagons to cover his range.

During the afternoon the three reps came in to replace the men who had left. The surplus horses had been cut out and thrown back on the range, only those required for the remuda remaining in the pasture lot. The chuck wagon was wheeled before the cookhouse door and packed for an early start. Before the first streaks of dawn the men had saddled and breakfasted. It was turning gray in the east when four horses, necessitating the attentions of four men, were hooked to the wagon. A man hung on the bit of each wheel horse while another grasped the bits of the lead team as Waddles made on last hasty trip inside.

"This will be a rocky ride for a mile or two," he prophesied, as he mounted the seat and braced himself. "These willow-tails haven't had on a strap of harness for many a month. All set. Turn loose!"

The men stepped back and the four horses hit the collars raggedly. One wheel horse reared and jumped forward. The off leader dropped his head and pitched, shaking himself as if struggling to unseat a rider, then the four settled into a jerkey run and the heavy wagon clattered and lurched down the lane.

The wrangler, whose duty it was to tend the horse herd by day, and the nighthawk who would guard it at night sat on their horses at the far end of the corral and urged the herd out as the gates swung back. The remuda streamed down the valley, the two first riders swinging wide to either flank while the nighthawk and wrangler brought up the rear.

Shortly before noon the wagon was halted in a broad bottom threaded by a tiny spring-fed stream. The teams were unhitched; mounts were unsaddled and thrown into the horse herd, which was then headed into the mouth of a branching draw and allowed to graze. Waddles dumped off the bed rolls that were piled from the broad lowered tail-gate to the wagon top and each man sorted out his own and spread it upon some spot which struck him as a likely bed ground.

It was not long before Waddles was dispensing nourishment from the lowered tail-gate, ladling food and hot coffee into the plates and cups which the men held out to him. They drew away and sat cross-legged on the ground. The meal was almost finished when six horsemen rode down the valley and pulled up before the wagon.

"What's the chance for scraps?" the leader asked.

"Step down," Waddles invited. "And throw a feed in you. She's still a-steaming."

Four of the men differed in no material way from the Three Bar men in appearance. The fifth was a ruffian with little forehead, a face of gorilla cast, stamped with brute ferocity and small intelligence. The last of the six was a striking figure, a big man with pure white hair and brows, his pale eyes peering from a red face.

"The roasted albino is Harper, our leading bad man in these parts," Evans remarked to Harris. "And the human ape is Lang; Fisher, Coleman, Barton and Canfield are the rest. Nice layout of murderers and such."

Harper's men ate unconcernedly, conscious that they were marked as men who had violated every law on the calendar, but knowing also that no man would take exceptions to their presence on that general ground alone, and as they had neared the wagon each man had scanned the faces of the round-up crew to make certain that there were none among them who might bear some more specific and personal dislike.

The Three Bar men chatted and fraternized with them as they would have done with the riders of any legitimate outfit. Harper praised the food that Waddles tendered them.

Billie Warren forced a smile as she nodded to them, then moved off and sat upon a rock some fifty yards from the wagon, despising the six men who ate her fare and inwardly raging at the conditions which forced her to extend the hospitality of the Three Bar to men of their breed whenever they chanced by.

Harris strolled over and sat down facing her, sifting tobacco into a brown paper and deftly rolling his smoke.

"Has it been on your mind—what I was telling you a few nights back, about how much I was loving you?" he asked.

"You had your chance to prove it by going away," she said, "and refused; so why bring it up again? The next two years will be hard enough without my having to listen to that."

"Our families must have been real set on throwing us together," he observed. "I was cut off without a dime myself—unless I spent two full years on the Three Bar."

She was angry with herself for believing him sincere, for being convinced that he, too, as he had several times intimated, was tied in much the same fashion as herself. The explanation came to her in an illuminating flash. The elder Harris must have nursed a lifelong enmity against her father, who had believed him the most devoted friend on earth.

She had often heard the tale of how her parent had, in all friendliness, followed old Bill Harris step by step from Dodge City to the Platte, to old Fort Laramie and finally to the present Three Bar range. Perhaps the one so followed had felt that Cal Warren was but the hated symbol of the whole clan of squatters who had driven him from place to place and eventually forced him to relinquish his hope of seeing the Three Bar brand on a hundred thousand cows; that his friendliness had been simulated, his vindictiveness nursed and finally consummated by leaving his affairs in such fashion that his son must carry on the work his trickery had begun.

Harris resumed where he had broken off.

"And I'd have tossed it off, as I told you once, if the Three Bar girl had turned out to be any except you. You've had a tough problem to work out, girl," he said. "I sold out my little Box L outfit for more than it was worth—and figured to stop the leak at the Three Bar and put the old brand on its feet."

His calm assurance on this point exasperated the girl.

"How?" she demanded. "What can you do?" She pointed toward the six men near the wagon. "During the time you spent prowling the hills did you ever come across those men?"

"Not to pal round with them," he confessed. "But I did cut their trail now and then. They're not the outfit that's going to be hardest to handle when the time arrives."

"What do you mean?" she asked. "No one has ever been able to handle them up to date."

"Did it ever strike you as queer that Slade could come into this country twelve years back, with nothing but a long rope and a running iron, and be owning thirty thousand head today?"

"He has the knack to protect his own and increase," she said. "They're afraid of Slade."

The girl shook her head impatiently and looked across at the six men who ate her fare.

"Look at them," she flared. "Eating my food; and in a few nights they'll be hazing a bunch of Three Bar steers toward the Idaho line. Why doesn't some man that is a man kill that albino fiend and all his whelps and rid the country of his breed? Even Slade lets them put up at his place."

"If they're pestering you I'll order them off," he said.

"And what effect would that have?" she inquired scornfully.

"The effect of causing them to climb their horses and amble off down the country," he returned. He sprawled on the grass, his head propped on one hand as he regarded them.

"Then probably you'd better order them off," she suggested. "You have my permission. Now's your chance to make good the lordly brag of helping the Three Bar out of the hole." She instantly regretted having said it. A dozen times of late she had wondered if she were turning bitter and waspish, if she would ever again be the even-tempered Billie Warren with a good word and a smile for every one.

Harris was, as always, apparently undisturbed by her words. Far down the bottoms she could see a point of light which she knew for a white sign that read: "Squatter, don't let sundown find you here." The man before her had defied these sinister warnings scattered about the range and publicly announced that he would put in hay on his filing, knowing that he was a marked man from the hour he turned the first furrow. Whatever his shortcomings, lack of courage was not one of them.

"I take that back," she said, referring to her words of a few moments before. Harris straightened to a sitting position in his surprise at this impulsive retraction, and as he smiled across at her she divined that this man, seemingly so impervious to her sarcasm, could be easily moved by a single kind word.

"Thanks, Billie," he said. "That was real white of you."

He rose and sauntered toward the wagon and Billie Warren felt a sudden clutch of fear as he halted before Harper and she realized that he had taken her words literally and intended ordering them off.

"I've been made temporary foreman of the Three Bar—just so the boss could try me out on that job for an hour or two," he remarked conversationally. "So I'm putting in a new rule that goes into effect right off. When you boys ride away, in a few minutes from now, you can tell folks that the grub line is closed as far as the Three Bar is concerned."

Lang took a half-step toward him, his face reflecting his gathering rage as his slow brain comprehended the fact that this speech was but another way of announcing that he and his men would find no welcome at the Three Bar from that moment on. Harper caught his arm and jerked him back. The albino was an old hand and could rightly read the signs.

"The gentleman was remarking to me," he said to Lang; "not you." He turned to Harris. "There's no law to make you feed any man," he said. "From now on we'll pay our way—as far as the Three Bar is concerned."

His tones were casual; only his pale eyes, fastened unblinkingly on Harris' face, betrayed his real feeling toward the man who, notwithstanding the roundabout nature of his announcement, had practically ordered him to stay away from the Three Bar for all time.

"But even in the face of that," he resumed, "we'll welcome you any time you happen to ride down our way."

Every man within earshot understood the threat that lay beneath the casual words.

"Then I'll likely drop in some time," Harris said. "If you'll send word where it is. And I'll bring fifty men along."

The albino motioned his men toward their horses and they mounted and rode off down the bottoms. Harris walked back and resumed his seat near the girl, who sat looking at him as if she could not believe what she had just witnessed.

"You see it was just as easy as I'd counted on," he said. "It'll be a considerable saving on food."

"But how did you know?" she asked. "Why is Harper afraid of you?"

"He's not," Harris said. "Not for a single second. But he's an old hand and has left a few places on the jump before he came out here."

"And he thinks you know it!" she guessed.

"He don't care what I know; it's what he knows himself—that the wild bunch is always roosting on the powder can even when it appears like they're sitting pretty—that counts with him. You thought I was taking a fool chance of outgaming him. In reality I was taking almost an unfair advantage of him, providing he had the brains he must possess to have lived to his age."

She could find no ready-made answer to this surprising statement.

"Don't you know that the albino will kill you for that?" she asked.

"Not unless he can stage it as a personal quarrel," he said. "He'll never follow it up as coming out of what happened today by taking it out on me as temporary foreman of the Three Bar—for ordering him off. There's a good majority of folks that don't relish seeing Harper's bunch ride up—that feed them through policy. But whenever you make it plain to a man that he's compelled to do a thing whether he likes it or not it's ten to one he'll balk out of sheer human pride. If Harper kills the Three Bar foreman on the grounds that he refused to feed all his men—why then, right off, every foreman and owner within a hundred miles starts to resenting the possibility that maybe the albino feels the same way toward him. Harper knows that."

"But if your theory had been wrong?" she persisted. "What then?"

"Then," he said, "then there'd have been h—l and repeat. I wasn't just acting as me, a personal affair, but, as I took pains to remark aloud, as the foreman of the Three Bar. Every Three Bar man would have gone into action the second Harper made a move at me. You know that— and Harper knew it."

She realized the soundness of this statement. The one unalterable code of the country, a code that had been fostered till it eclipsed all others, decreed that a man should be loyal to the brand for which he rode. The whole fabric of the cow business was based on that one point.

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"But now they'll work their deviltry all the stronger against the Three Bar," she predicted. "They could wreck us if they tried. You couldn't get a conviction in five years. Not a man would testify against one of Harper's outfit."

"Then we'll put on a fighting crew and hold them off," he said. "But that's not the layout that will be hardest to handle in the long run. Slade is the one real hard nut for the Three Bar to crack. He can work it a dozen different ways and you couldn't prove one of them on him to save your soul. He's one smooth hombre—Slade."

Harris rose and headed for his bed roll and the girl sought the shelter of her teepee for a rest. Her mind was busily going over the events of the day. She reflected that Cal Harris was at least possessed of self-confidence and that procrastination was certainly not to be numbered among his failings. It came to her that his interests for the present were identical with her own. As half-owner in the Three Bar it would be as much to his advantage as to her own to build it up. Waddle's warped legs prevented his acting as foreman on the job and it might be that the other man would find some way to prevent the leak that was sapping the life from the Three Bear. His half-ownership entitled him to the place. Billie Warren loved her brand and her personal distrust of Harris was submerged in the hope that his sharing the full responsibility with herself might be a step toward putting it back on the old-time plane of prosperity.

She fell asleep with the crooning voice of the nighthawk drifting to her ears.

It seemed but a few fleeting moments before Waddle's voice roused her.

"Roll out!" he bawled. "Feet in the trough!"

There was instant activity, the jingle of belts and spurs and in five minutes every man was fully clothed and splashing at the creek. It was showing rose and gray in the east when the meal was finished.

When most of the men were mounted Billie urged Papoose over near Harris' horse.

"Do you know how to throw a circle?" she asked.

"After a fashion," he said. "I've bossed one or two in the past."

"Then we'd better be of," she suggested. "Since you're the Three Bar foreman its for you to say when.

"I only pre-empted that job for ten minutes or so," he explained with evident embarrassment. "You surely didn't think I was trying to boost myself into the foreman's job for keeps?"

"No," she said. "But you're half-owner—and you can handle men. I'm giving you free rein to show what you can do."

Harris straightened in his saddle and motioned to the men.

"Let's go!" he ordered, and headed his horse for the left-hand flank of the valley. They ascended the first slopes,

They Ascended the First Slopes.

picked a long ridge and followed it to the crest of the low divide between that valley and the next. As they reached the head of the first draw that led back down into the valley Harris waved an arm.

"Carp," he called, and a middle-aged man named Carpenter, abbreviated to Carp, wheeled his horse from the group and headed down the draw.

A half-mile farther on they reached the head of another gulch.

"Hanson!" the new foreman called, and the man who repped for the Half-moon D dropped out. One man was detailed to work each draw and when some five miles up the divide there were but half the crew left. The foreman led the way to the opposite divide and doubled back, sending a man down every gulch.

Harris and the girl worked the last draw themselves and when they drove their cows out of the mouth of it they found a herd already milled, two hundred yards above the wagon. Harris left her and circled the bunch, estimating it.

When the last rider appeared with his bunch and threw it into the herd Harris signaled all hands to change mounts. Half the men repaired to the rope corral and caught up cow horses while the balance of the crew held the herd, each one relieving some other as soon as he had saddled a fresh horse.

A sagebrush fire was burning fifty yards above the wagon and each man rode past it, leaned from his saddle and dropped his running iron in the flame.

The men worked round the edge of the bunch and slipped a noose on every calf that was thrown to the edge of the constantly shifting mass. Morrow roped the first calf and dragged it to the fire.

As much as she loved the round-up, many times as she had seen it, Billie Warren had never become calloused to the brutalities perpetrated on the calves. She withdrew and sat in the shade of the wagon. She was down-wind and the dust raised by the trampling hoofs floated down to her, mingled with the odor of steaming cows, the acrid smoke of the sage fire and the taint of scorched hair and flesh.

In a short space of time the herd had been worked, the last calf branded, and Harris led the men up the bottoms. Five miles up the valley, at the spot where he had crossed it a few hours before, they found the wagon waiting at the new stand, the corral refashioned and the remuda inside it. It was but ten o'clock but the first circle had commenced at four. The noon meal on the round-up was served whenever the first circle was completed. The men fell ravenously on the hot meal, changed to fresh circle horses and started again.

It was falling dusk when the herd gathered in the third circle had been worked and the last calf branded for the day.

At the end of the first week out from the ranch Harris pulled up his horse beside the girl's and showed her his tally book.

"We've run Slade's mark on more calves than we have our own," he said. "That's one way he works.'

"But that's not his fault and it doesn't mean anything," she said. "His cows are sure to drift. This first strip we've worked is the southernmost edge of our range and his north wagon works the strip right south of us. We're sure to find a number of his cows. As we double back on our next lap we'll not find the same proportion."

"Not quite—but plenty," he predicted. "We've marked more calves for Slade in one week than all his three wagon crews will mark for the Three Bar in a year. The first three weeks of each season your men do a little more work for Slade than they do for you. It's a safe bet that the Halfmoon D does the same, and so on through every brand that joins his range. That puts him way off ahead."

"But that is pure accident," she said.

"It's pure design," he stated. "His boys are busy shoving his cows from the middle all ways so that when fall comes he has a good inside block that's only been lightly fed over. They fall back on that for winter feed. Last winter, when cows were dying like rats, his men were out drifting Slade's stuff back toward his middle range."

"That's true enough," she admitted. "But—"

"But you thought he was doing it as a favor to you——getting his surplus off your territory so your own cows would have a better chance. That's the same kind of talk he floated all round the line; playing the benevolent neighbor when in reality the old pirate had deliberately planned, year after year, to overcrowd your range and feed you out."

"But his men would know," she objected

"Not many of them would grasp the whole scheme of it," he said. "You hadn't thought of it yourself, and what if a few of them did surmise? They're riding for his brand."

The girl nodded. That unalterable code again—the religion of being loyal to one's brand. Not one of Slade's men would balk at doing it knowingly; each would do anything to advance his interests as long as he drew his pay from Slade.

As they talked Harris detailed men for each draw but when they reached the point where they were due to drop down and cross the valley he pulled up his horse.

"You take the rest of the circle, Carp," he instructed Carpenter. "I'm going to ride off up the rise a piece." The girl regarded him curiously. No less than three times in the last week he had stopped midway of the circle and asked her to complete it. Now he had turned it over to Carp and he signaled her to remain with him.

"Where are we going?" she asked as she watched the men ride down toward the bottoms. "And why?"

"Back the way we came," he said. "And maybe I can show you why."

He headed back the divide they had just followed until he came to the saddle at the head of a draw that led down to the valley. Far below them they could see a rider hazing a bunch of cows out into the bottoms. High on the right-hand slope of the gulch lay a notch, a little blind basin watered by the seepage from a side-hill spring, and there on the green bed of it a dozen cows with their calves grazed undisturbed. For perhaps five minutes Harris lolled sidewise in the saddle and watched them. Then a rider appeared on the ridge that divided that draw from the next, dropped in below the cows and headed them back over the ridge into the draw from which he had appeared. Even at that distance she recognized this last man as Lanky Evans. Harris resumed his way down the divide and she knew that he had discovered some irregularity for which he had been seeking.

"Who was the man that overlooked those cows?" she asked. "Who worked that draw?"

"Morrow," he said. "His eyesight is getting bad. That's the second time this week—and the last."

"Then Morrow is an inside man for Harper," she said. "Drawing Three Bar pay and working against us, too."

"Yes," he said. "Only he's an inside man for Slade."

"But how could his leaving those calves behind benefit Slade?" she demanded.

"How could it benefit Harper?" he countered. "Can you tell me that?"

She could not and motioned for him to go on.

"None of Harper's men has a brand of his own," he said. "They're living on the move. They can't wait for calves to grow up. The way they work is to run a bunch of beef steers across into Idaho. They'll pick up another bunch there and shove them across the Utah line and repeat by moving a drove of some Utah brand up in here. Only beef steers—quick turning stuff. You know about the reputation of the O V and the Lazy H Four."

She knew all too well. There was a half-feud, a smoldering distrust displayed between cowmen on each side of the three state lines, a triangle of ill feeling. It was current rumor that the O V and the Lazy H Four, ranging far southwest of the Three Bar, would traffic in any steers that came from across either the Utah or Idaho line. In the corner of those states were similar outfits that were receiving stations for rustled stock from the opposite sides. The triangular feud had been fostered to a point where the thieves were immune. Even if a direct complaint should be brought against them they had but to ride across into another state and a sheriff following them would be helpless, the inhabitants resenting this intrusion into their affairs by an officer from another state, truly having no right there, and refusing to aid him even if they did not actually oppose his passage.

"But how would it benefit Slade?" she repeated.

"Why, suppose that Morrow overlooked a nice bunch of Three Bar calves all along this first strip next to Slade's range," Harris said. "Then some Slade rider happens to drop along after our wagon has moved on and he hazes them off south. Later another picks them up and shoves them along another half-day's drive—way beyond where our boys ever work, even beyond the strip covered by Slade's north wagon, the only one that carries a Three Bar rep; what then?"

"The calves would still be with mothers wearing the Three Bar mark," she said. "After they leave the cows they're slicks, fair game for the first man that puts his rope on them—and Slade wouldn't risk running one of his own brands on them before they left the cows."

"Not one of his own, no," Harris said; "only one that's going to be his later on. Did it ever strike you as queer that Slade, whose way is to crush every new outfit, should suffer a soft-hearted streak every year or so and befriend some party that had elected to start up for himself right in the middle of Slade's range? And later buy him out? That's the way he came into nearly every brand he runs. Several of those dinky little owners have moved out right sudden with a dozen riders from some other outfit fanning along close behind; McArthur didn't even get moved, for Brandons went on the war trail before he had time to start. But it transpired that he was all set to go because Slade showed bill of sale for Mac's holdings, dated only the day before. That's how he came to own every one of those brands that match up so close with those of every outfit that overlaps his range."

They had turned their horses down a long ridge that led to the wagon in the bottoms.

"I'll mention to the boys that Morrow sold out the interests of the Three Bar while he was drawing down your pay. They'll pass sentence on him right sudden. Four hours from now they'll have dry-gulched him so far from nowhere that even the coyotes can't find him."

"Not that," she said. "Turn him over to the sheriff. You caught him in the act."

"In the act of missing a few cows on his detail. The sheriff would hold him almost an hour before he let him go."

"Then give him his check and send him off the Three Bar range," she said.

Harris waited till the herd had been worked and the men had gathered round the wagon. Then he handed Morrow a check.

"Here's your time," he said. You can be leaving almost any time now."

Every man knew that Morrow had been caught at some piece of work contrary to the interests of the Three Bar. The discharged hand gave a short ugly laugh.

"As soon as you pussyfooted into the foreman's job I knew it was only a question of time," he said.

"Exactly," Harris returned. "Pack your stuff."

"A foreman has a scattering of a dozen or so men to back him up," Morrow observed with a shrug of one shoulder toward the rest of the men.

Harris turned to the girl.

"I resign for about sixty seconds," he said and swung back toward Morrow; and again all hands noted his queer quartering stand. "I'm not foreman right at this minute," he said. "So if you had anything in particular to address to me in a personal vein you can start now. Otherwise you'd better be packing your stuff."

Morrow turned his back and headed for the rope corral. When he had saddled one horse and packed his effects on another he turned to Evans.

"You helped frame this on me," he said. "I thought I saw you messing over into my detail a few days back. One day right soon I'll run across you again."

"Then I'll take to riding with my head over my shoulder—surveying my back-track," Lanky promised. "Because we'll most likely meet from behind."

Morrow started to snarl an answer, his usual self-repression deserting him, but Harris waved an impatient hand.

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'EGGS IS EGGS'— BUT NOT FOR HATCHING

"Pigs is pigs", according to the famous story by Ellis Parker Butler and to a great many people eggs is eggs, regardless of the way in which they are to be used. When it concerns eggs for any purpose but hatching, that view may be as good as any other, but eggs for hatching should certainly be selected with extreme care if best results are to be obtained. There is no great mystery about the process of making proper selection. On the contrary, it is a very simple matter. I have seen so much of random selection, however, that I am sure a few pointers on the subject will not be amiss.

First of all, let me say what kind of eggs not to use. Discard all eggs that are small, abnormally large very dirty, irregularly formed and those with cracked, rough, thin or irregular shells. I would especially warn everyone against accepting the common belief that large eggs are best for hatching. Years of careful experimentation and close observation of the work of others has convinced me that the average size egg of regular form and color is the best for hatching. The exact size will vary, of course, with different breeds The same is true of color. Any chicken raiser can easily judge the size of eggs to use according to this advice and detailed instructions are not necessary.

The hatching egg should be sound of shell. It should be smooth, free from uneven or rough spots; should not be mottled or uneven of color; should not be thinner in one part than in another; should not have ridges, bumps, humps or bulges, but should be as near to the true egg shape as possible. A slight unevenness or variation from the ideal shape does not necessarily mean poor hatches, but if the unevenness of whatever kind you may use is very noticeable, better put such eggs aside for market or table use.

Eggs with unusually thin or porous shells are undesirable for hatching. The thin shelled egg is easily broken in turning.

To many people it will come as a surprise when they learn that dirty eggs should not be used. I speak from experience, however, when I say that such is the case. Slightly soiled eggs may be used if they are first carefully cleaned by rubbing lightly with a damp cloth or sponge. If that will not clean them, they should be put aside for other uses. Under no circumstances should eggs be washed thoroughly. The thorough wetting and hard rubbing will destroy nature's protective surface film, thus hastening evaporation of the contents and allowing harmful odors to penetrate the porous shell.

All eggs in any one hatch should be as nearly uniform as possible in size, weight and thickness of shell. They should also be of approximately the same age and from the same variety of fowl. Thin shelled eggs hatch more easily, as a rule, than thick shelled ones. White eggs usually hatch more quickly than darker ones. Leghorn eggs will probably hatch 24 hours sooner than those from Plymouth Rocks. It will, threefore, be easy to see why uniformity in all the ways just mentioned is desirable whenever practicable. If this rule is followed, practicaly all eggs will hatch at or very near the same time, thus far greater chance for complete sucess than would be possible where eggs of widely varying characteristics are mixed together.

I do not recommend the use of pullet eggs for hatching. All breeding hens should be of good size for the breed and from 1 to 2 years of age. If pullets are used at all for breeders, they should be well matured, lay good size eggs and be mated to old roosters.

Another important factor that greatly influences the chances for successful incubation is the relative freshnes of eggs. Those from 1 to 4 or 6 days old show litle difference as to hatching quality, but after that they deteriorate rapidly. This is easily explained. A fresh egg contains just enough water to develop the embryo while it is gradually developing into a chick. As an egg shell is porous, the water will evaporate more or less rapidly, the exact degree depending on the temperature and relative humidity of the place in which the eggs are kept. After that natural internal moisture has passed out of the shell, there is no way on earth restoring it in such a way that it can contribute to the building up of bone, muscle or nerve tissues in the baby chick. Exactly how long eggs may be safely held before their hatching qualities are seriously affected cannot be arbitrarily stated. It is worthy of note, however, that many commercial hatcheries invariably show a very high percentage of eggs successfully hatched in each setting, and they are often set when from 10 to 12 days old.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Mal Waldon of East Prairie were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Miss Edith Hardin arrived Sunday from a two weeks' visit at Portageville.

Mrs. E. M. Ratcliff returned Monday from a visit with her parents in Indiana.

Mrs. Wes Depro and family spent Sunday at La Forge with Mr. and Mrs. Mart Johnson.

Mrs. Kline T. Hope of Cape Girardeau is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Whitton.

Olan Critchlow, Glenn Waters, Misses Deene Whitton and Genevive Dickerman motored to Lilbourn Sunday.

Mesdames G. D. Steele, Albert Deane and Charles Lumsden attended the funeral of Mr. Raidt at New Madrid last week.

The playlette, "Poor Father", given by the Sophomores and Freshmen at the auditorium Friday night, was quite a commendable affair, reflecting much credit on Miss Barry, who directed the play and on those taking part. One of the most entertaining features of the evening, was a negro minstrel and a song by Mrs. Donald Story's pupils in the third and fourth grades. It is safe to say Mrs. Story has no equal in training the little folks.

On May 12, Mother's Day, there will be a program at the Methodist church in the forenoon at about 10:30. We want every mother that can to be there and help to commemorate that day to our mothers, whether they have gone on before or are here. We want to celebrate this day in memory of that dearest of dear friend, our mother. If there are any mothers who have no mode of conveyance and will notify Mrs. W. H. Deane, she will see that they are safely conveyed to the church and back home. We want all the old mothers to come and help the younger mothers by their beloved presence.

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Bridge will be built across the river at Weldon Spring in near future.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM BLODGETT

School Notes

The lower grade declamatory contest and upper grade oratorical contest were held in the high school auditorium Tuesday evening April 16. E R. Putnam won first, Glenda Clippard second and Louise Neinstedt and Evelyn Pearman tied for third in the declamatory contest. Philip Williams won first and Marshall Wagoner second in the oratorical contest.

Mary Fern Smith and Philip Williams will represent our grade school in the annual county grade school declamatory and oratorical contest to be held at Benton Friday, May 3.

Jeanette Graham attended the Southeast Missouri spelling match at Cape Girardeau, April 27, as the representative from Scott County. She won the County grade spelling contest April 6. Fletcher Withrow represented the high school in the track meet at Cape Girardeau, April 27. Neither Jeanette nor Fletcher placed in the contests they entered.

Mrs. D. M. Jester is quite sick with malaria fever.

Mrs. J. W. Parker entertained the Woman's Club Thursday.

Mrs. W. H. Bean and son, left last Thursday for Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Mollie Congleton of Morley visited Mrs. Jane Peal this week.

Miss Helen Slinkard spent the week-end at Chaffee with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson of St. Louis visited their parents this week-end.

Mr. Estes of Marquand is acting as depot agent during W. H. Bean's absence.

Dr. F. L. Ogilvie attended the funeral of Mr. Fassit at Charleston, Sunday.

Mrs. E. C. Graham and Mrs. J. T. Huey attended the Eastern Star meeting at Chaffee, Tuesday.

Mrs. Loeb and daughter of Charleston were guests at the E. R. Putnam home, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Poe of Cape Girardeau were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Huey.

Miss Margaret Williams of St. Louis visited her mother, Mrs. J. W. Parker and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Marshall consulted a specialist Sunday at Cape Girardeau about their baby, who is having painful ear trouble.

The Woman's Missionary Society met with Mrs. O. B. Embry, Wednesday. A very interesting meeting "Christ, Our Ideal" is being studied.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Charleston met with the Missionary Society here, Sunday and the Young People of the Methodist church were organized into two societies.

A mass meeting was held at the Methodist church Wednesday evening and a civic club organized to beautify Blodgett. "A thing of beauty is forever a source of pleasure" Let's beautify our town.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Cope entertained several friends from Cape Girardeau Wednesday with a 12:00 o'clock dinner party. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Noland, Mr. and Mrs. Duree Noland and Mrs. Eskel Bradley.

Miss Witt, the County Nurse, gave a very interesting talk on Health in the Home. Other subjects were character building, spiritual significance and future training in the home. Several guests were present besides all the members. The hostess served a delightful spring salad course.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

Sound equipment installed in Orpheum Theatre at Vandalia.

Pleasant Hill—Fourtenth gas well recently brought in at local field.

Novinger—Arctic Coal Company opening mine No. 31.

Vitaphone equipment installed in Star Theatre at Hannibal.

Centralia—Additional machinery installed in Purity Bakery.

Carollton—Carrollton Bakery moved to new building on South Main Street.

Unionville—New owners of Rachford Drug Store making improvements in equipment and interior of building.

Rolla—Local shoe factory increasing production and employing more workmen.

Plans progressing for erection of proposed hotel in Lexington.

Chamberlain Canning Company to establish canning factory at Webb City.

Residents voted in favor of erecting grade school building in Princeton.

Leeton—Peoples Theatre recently opened in this place.

Kennett's postoffice building will be improved this summer.

South St. Louis—Construction started in Mt. Hope Memorial Mausoleum.

Thayer—Local water system extended.

Marceline—itaphone equipment installed at Cantwell Theatre.

Prospects bright for establishment of J. C. Penney Company store in Washington.

Branson—Jewelry store opened in newly completed Nichols Building.

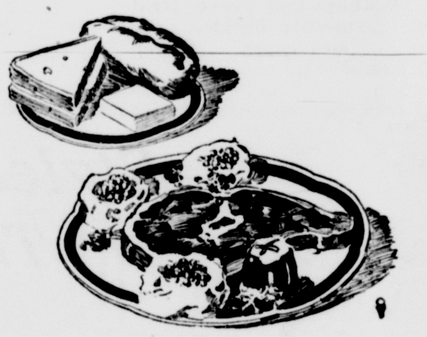
City of Bolivar installed new centrifugal pump to increase water supply.

Louisiana—Missouri Edison Company of Louisiana merged with East Missouri Power & Light Company of Troy.

Section of Ozark Trail between Hlden and Highway No. 50 at Pittsville will be paved in near future.

St. Louis—$2,500,00 warehouse building of J. C. Penney Company recently completed.

Delicious . . . . . CHOPS



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Phone 344 We Deliver

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Spring housecleaning hint for Husbands

Radford paused in the upstairs hall.

"What!" he exclaimed, "not through yet ——."

From amid the chaos of housecleaning, Mrs. Radford looked up in exasperation.

"Get that coat off and help me put up this bed," she ordered, wearily shoving a stray lock of hair back beneath the towel about her head.

"How do you expect me to be through? I can't clean the upstairs, and spend the best part of the afternoon *downstairs* talking over the telephone, can I? I've been up and down those stairs forty times."

Radford had weathered many spring housecleanings. Wisely, he pulled off his coat and began to roll up his sleeves.

"I think," he observed sympathetically, "that an extension telephone up here in the hall might save steps and ——."

"Then suppose," interrupted his wife grimly, "that you order one for me tomorrow."

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Telephones where you *need* them save time, patience, housewifely strength.

Few know that one or two additional instruments cost considerably less than the single telephone they now have!

By a wisely-placed "extension" or two, and perhaps a rearrangement of the equipment you already have, an expert telephone man can often double the convenience of your telephone service. Just mail the coupon.

Manager,
Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.,
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Without obligation or cost, I'd like to know how to get more value out of my telephone service. Won't you call ..... (day) at ..... o'clock?

Name .....

Address A-2

"How do you expect me to be through?"

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Next Time You Shave Use Colgates

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"The Best is None Too Good"

Ladies' Silk Hose
Pure thread silk, 42 quality. Full Fashioned Compare with any gauge, strictly first $1.50 Hose. All new shades.
Graber's Chain Store Price $1.00

Infant's Socks
All silk Kitty Kuff. Very new and patterns are very pretty. Yes, first quality. We just know how to buy them. Sizes 4 to 7½.
Graber's Chain Store Price 19c

Ladies Brassieres
Fancy Silk Rayon, in six different styles. Best ever offered at 50c. All sizes.
Graber's Chain Store Price 19c

81x90 Chase Sheets
Extra fine quality, fine soft weave. Seamless. worth wholesale $12 per dozen. Each.
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Hickory Play Suits
Blue and white stripe free from starch. Sizes 2 to 8; fast color, well made. An ideal garment for the kids. Worth 98c.
Graber's Chain Store Price 69c

Ladies' Union Suits
Summer weight. Strictly first quality. Worth 50c anywhere.
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9—4 or 81-inch Sheeting
Extra firm grade. Another new shipment. Why pay 55c when we can save you 16c a yd.?
Graber's Chain Store Price 39c

Ladies' Silk Hose
All new Spring and Summer shades. See our stocking and go all over town and compare with any 50c Hose.
Graber's Chain Store Price 35c

Peerless Pillow Cases
Sizes 42x36. Bleached. Compare with any 25c case.
Graber's Chain Store Price ... 15c

Children's Socks
Silks, beautiful assortment of patterns. Sizes 4 and up. First quality, all colors. Sells everywhere at 25c.
Graber's Chain Store Price ... 15c

Ginghams
Full bolts, small and large checks. Large selection. Worth 10c yd.
Graber's Chain Store Price 5c

81x90 Sheets
Fine soft bleach Muslin. Nice big hems. Seamless. Why pay $1.00?
Graber's Chain Store Price 79c

Panel Curtains
45 inches wide, 2½ yards long. Beautiful patterns. Long silk fringes. Large assortment.
Graber's Chain Store Price 98c

Men's Sealpax Union Suits
Nationally known to sell at $1.00 the world over. Lucky purchase. All materials.
Graber's Chain Store Price ... 75c

Ladies' Belts
Patents— Suedes; assorted widths. Samples. Values up to 50c.
Graber's Chain Store Price ... 15c

Dresses Ladies' House
Ginghams and prints, ful cut; beautiful styles, god quality. Knowing where and how to buy them enables us to offer you these real bargains. All sizes, 89c values.
Graber's Chain Store Price 59c

Men's Dress Shirts
Genuine Broadcloths and End and End Madras. Guaranteed fast colors or a new shirt. Very smart looking shirts. Compare with any $2.50 Shirt. All sizes, 14 to 17.
Graber's Chain Store Price $1.25

Size 80x105 Bed Spreads
Rose, Gold, Blue, Green Crinkle Spreads. Very good quality. Hemmed and every one seamless. We know we bought these spreads very cheap and they are worth $1.89 each.
Graber's Chain Store Price $1.25

Men's Work Shirts
We defy competition on this item. A lucky purchase, yes, indeed 98c value. Genuine Defiance cloth. 2 pockets, triple stitched. Sizes 14 to 17.
Graber's Chain Store Price ... 59c

Children's Wash Suits
Broadcloths, Linens and Fancy Silk stripes. Sizes 2 to 8. Beautiful selection. Values up to $1.50. A large lot of samples bought at 50c on the dollar.
Graber's Chain Store Price 75c

There's a reason why the crowds are always going to Graber's Chain Stores! Values are what the thrifty shoppers want and values are what we are giving with the largest selection ofnewest dependable merchandise in Southeast Missouri and Northeast Arkansas.

No charge accounts—no bookkeepers—no credit business—no delivery wagons—and strictly one price to one and all and no favorites—enables this organization to offer you merchandise at prices that are remarkble.

The question is asked daily how we do it. Knowing where to buy it—how to buy it—large quantity buying for spot cash, discounting our bills and quick turn-overs make Graber's Chain Stores the outstanding stores where the thrifty shoppers can shop and save. Day by day we see more new thrifty shoppers in our stores trading from a radius of 50 to 75 miles. Pay us a visit, see our new merchandise displayed, compare our merchandise, compare our prices, and be your own judge.

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Every Dress Brand New

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Indescribably charming with their new drapes! Unique new tuck and pleats_____touches of lace_____embroidery____flower trimmings____ tiers____ruffles_____necklines and sleeve treatments. Jeweled pins____novelty buckles_____ fancy belts____sashes____lace capes____flowers ____appliques____buttons.

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$1.98 and $2.50

See our line of $4.98 and $5.98 Silk Dresses that are simply remarkable.

White and Newest Colors In

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Many Newest Crepe Ensembles

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Pastel Dresses
Afternoon Modes
Business Frocks
Tailored Models
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Sikeston, Mo.

Children's Ensembles
Sizes 6 to 14. Prints and Piques—and what a beautiful selection. And plenty to pick from. Worth $2.98.
Graber's Chain Store Price ... $1.98

Men's Dress Pants
All wool. New shipment. eBautiful patterns, light and dark. Why pay $?
Graber's Chain Store Price .. $2.98

80x90 Bed Spreads
Crinkle Bed Spreads, a fortunate purchase. Colors green and blue only. Real $1.19 values.
Store Price ... 85c
Graber's Chain

Ladies' Cotton Vests
Sizes 36, 38 and 40 only. Below wholesale cost. Another fortunate purchase.
Graber's Chain Store Price 5c

Boys' Overalls
Heavy dark 2.20 weight denims. Sizes 4 to 16.
Graber's Chain Store Price 59c

Boys' Dress Shirts
New shipment. Sizes 6 to 14. Newest spring patterns. Real bargains.
Graber's Chain Store Price ... 50c

Boys' Tennis Shoes
Good quality, brown and white lace to toe. All sizes. Why pay 98c
Graber's Chain Store Price 79c

Boys' Work Shirts
Colors grey and blue. 2 pockets, coat style, Golden Rule cloth and Ideal cloth, full cut. Worth 69c. Sizes 6 to 14.
Graber's Chain Store Price 50c

Track Pants
Beautiful stripes in prints and broadcloths; strictly first quality. Sizes 28 to 38. Compare with any 50c garment.
Graber's Chain Store Price 35c

Men's Athletic Shirts
Full mercerized. Fancy rayon trimmed. All sizes. Why pay 50c?
Graber's Chain Store Price ... 25c

Men's Work Shirts
Yes, Golden Rule Cheviots; 2 pockets, full cut. Worth more wholesale.
Graber's Chain Store Price 50c

Men's Union Suits
Broadcloths— fancy silk stripes—72x80 and 88 squares. Well made. Values up to 85c.
Store Price ... 50c
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Men's White Shirts
Broadcloth, highly mercerized, 7-button Shirts. Learn values. Compare with any $3 Shirt.
Graber's Chain Store Price $1.50

Union Suits
Boys' and Girls' Union Suits, 72x80 Nainsook, full cut. Yes, compare values. 39c values.
Graber's Chain Store Price 25c

Fancy Turkish Towels
Size 17x29. Fancy check. First quality. Worth 15c.
Graber's Chain Store Price 10c

Fancy Turkish Towels
Size 18x36. Good wt., Store Prcie ..... firm texture. Worth 25c. Compare. Real bargains. First quality.
Graber's Chain Store Price 15c

Heavy Brown Domestic
Why pay 15c a yard when you can save 5c a yard? 36 inches wide. Come and see for yourself.
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42x36. Extra fine quality. Come in and see for yourself. Compare with any 39c case.
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Broadcloth and prints, straight lines and Princess styles; flare skirts beautiful patterns. Some trimmed in organdie and other trimmings. Worth $1.00.
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DES ARC SLAYER BANDIT CAPTURED

Des Arc, Mo., April 30.—Seven hours after he had shot and killed Edmond W. Cook, 60-year-old cashier, in an attempted holdup of the Bank of Des Arc at 3 o'clock this afternoon, Dallas Sutton, 20, of Annapolis, Mo., was captured just outside of Annapolis at 10:30 o'clock tonight by David A. Worley, blacksmith, and Everett L. Funk, retired merchant, both of Annapolis. The town of Annapolis is approximately ten miles from the scene of the killing.

The youthful robber and slayer was on foot and was headed for his home when he was caught. Although armed with the .32-caliber automatic pistol with which he killed the aged cashier, Sutton made no effort to resist his captors.

He readily confessed the slaying Iron County authorities announced.

He is being held in the Ironton jail.

After firing at Cook, Sutton said he ran from the bank and was followed for two or three blocks by several citizens, who gave up the chase as he started to enter the woods on the edge of town.

Sutton took no money in his flight

Working his way through the hills around Des Arc in the direction of Annapolis, Sutton said he circled about the latter town before he finally decided to return to his home.

Sutton had just walked onto the highway outside of Annapolis when captured. He had the pistol in his hand when taken into custody, but made no effort to use it.

South Main Street building in De Soto extensively remodeled.

Latest styles of vair-colored slippers may be had for $3.85 at the I. Becker Store.

Wash a clam shell thoroughly and then place in the bottom of the tea kettle. The lime in the water will adhere to the shell instead of the kettle.

If your kitchen has papered walls, you really require some sort of protection on the wall in back of the sink. It can be kept clean easily and pulled off and replaced when worn out.

LAY PLANS TO START DITCH NEXT MONDAY

A permanent comittee composed of Jos. L. Matthews, Charles Hebbeler, W. H. Sikes, G. J. Philips and J. F. Cox was instructed last Monday night to continue work on the North Sikeston drainage ditch, and to let the necessary contracts for the work The joint meeting of the original drainage committee in session at the City Hall with the Finance Committee, and came about on motion of E. C. Matthews, who pointed out that the men had the whole plan well in mind, and that it would be a waste of time to appoint others.

G. B. Greer, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported to the group that a total of $2522 had either been received in checks or pledged, and that an amount estimated at approximately $100 was still outstanding. The checks will not be cashed, said Mr. Greer, until actual construction work starts, nor will fulfillment of pledges be called for until that time.

The work now rests entirely with the committe of five. J. W. Baker, Jr., Sikeston Special Road District Commissioner, was present, and told the assembly that it would be impossible to use the large grader and tractor before the first of next week probably Monday. Mr. Baker pointed out that the road equipment was being used on the Morehouse-Tanner road at present.

G. J. Phillips reported that a "shaved down" estimate called for $969 to complete the actual work. This, of course does not include money to be expended on right-of-way, amounting to about $1000. The estimate of Mr. Phillips includes throwing up a small levee on the Paul Bucholtz farm, and calls for a ditch approximately one and one-half miles long, 18 to 20 feet wide, and having an average depth of three feet.

E. E. Hudson, ditch engineer appeared before the meeting, and offered to submit a bid. His offer was accepted, and final disposition of the contract will be made by the committee of five.

The Committee expects to complete ing for right-of-way and flowage signing up necessary legal forms call-rights through the various farm properties this week so that actual work on the ditch can start next Monday, weather permitting.

It was decided last Monday to finish one project before starting on another. Plans are being considered however, on the West Sikeston project.

Clean Up and Paint Up Week as well as House Cleaning, Reveals Many Furniture Needs

To help you choose with the greatest convenience the articles needed in your home, we have provided the following display. May we have the pleasure of showing them to you soon? You will not be urged to buy, just because you came to look. We are in a position to save you money on anything you might need in the furniture line.

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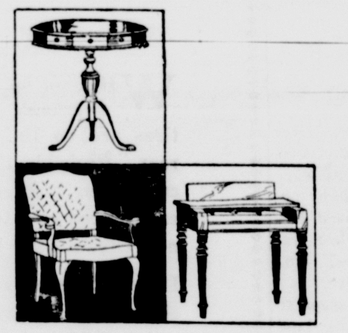

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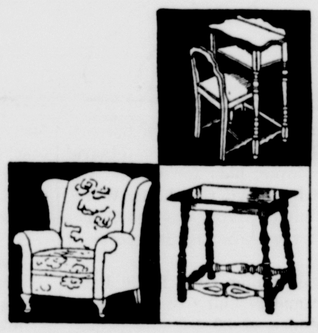


TO CONSIDER FARM LOANS HERE FRIDAY

Cape Girardeau, April 30.—First applications for loans from the $1,000,000 farm credit fund provided for Southeast Missouri by the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Credit Corporation will be considered by the discount committee Friday, at meetings at Sikeston and Dexter, it was announced today by S. B. Hunter, manager of the corporation, and J. R Cosgrove, manager of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Louis who is here assisting in the final working-out of plans for the district bank.

The Cape Girardeau offices of the bank will be in the suite on the fifth floor of the H.-H. building formerly occupied by the Chamber of Commerce. The rooms were to be furnished and occupied late today or Wednesday forenoon.

Blanks to be used by farmers in applying for loans from the bank were placed in the hands of directors of the corporation Monday afternoon at a meeting in Cape Girardeau Other forms necessary to the operation of the bank are being prepared and it was deemed possible today that printing of all of them would be completed by Wednesday when they would be sent to the directors.

All of the Southeast Missouri directors attended the meeting Monday with the exception of Col. Ralph Anderson of Gideon, New Madrid County's representative, and W. F. Shelton, Jr., of Kennett, Dunklin County's member of the board. No major change in the contemplated policy of the corporation was determined upon in addition to consideration of printed forms and the selection of offices the directors review plans of administration.

The discount committee which will first pass upon applications for loans will be composed of at least three members, one of whom will be the director for the county in which the loan applicant resides. The other two will be conversant with conditions in the county. These three will recommend to the complete board of directors, 12 of whose 18 members reside in St. Louis, that the loan be approved or denied.

When a loan is approved, money will be advanced to the farmer in the same manner in vogue among commercial banks of the district, stipulated amounts being paid out at regular intervals during the crop season

Loans will be made at the rate of 7½ per cent interest. They will be secured by customary farm chattels including tenants' work stock and farm machinery and crops.

LEGION AWARDS PRIZES TO GUARD

At the meeting of the Legion Wednesday night, Henry Meldrum Post No. 114, voted to award cash prizes to enlisted members of Company K, 140th Infantry, for qualification with the Cal. .30 rifle, when the long range firing is done at Camp Clark this August.

The man making the highest score will receive ten dollars, second place will receive seven dollars, third place five dollars and fourth place three dollars.

This spirit of co-operation and interest on the part of the Legionnaires is greatly appreciated by the Guardsmen and will act as a spur toward improvement in marksmanship.

Henry Meldrum Post is the first organization in the 140th Infantry area to make such cash prizes available, and it is thought that other organizations will follow the precedent that they have established, and offer prizes for marksmanship to unios of the Guard.

State Guard authorities and the Corps Area Commander have been notified of this action of the Legionnaires.

GRABER'S SATISFIED WITH TRADE IN PAST NINE MONTHS

Sam Graber, owner and manager of the Graber Chain Stores in this territory, visited the Sikeston store this week, leaving Thursday noon for headquarters. While here, Mr. Graber expressed satisfaction with the reception of his store here by the Sikeston trade. The retail trade in general, he stated, was beginning to pick up in volume, with prospects for even better conditions as the summer season advances.

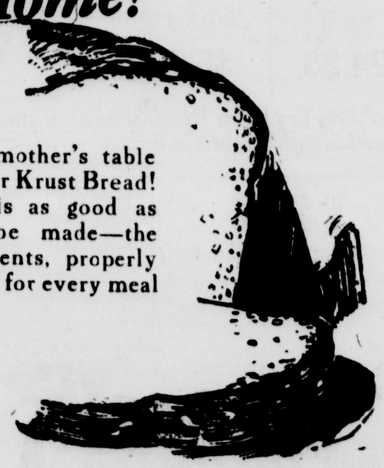
Few other stores here or elsewhere can boast of as complete a line of fresh, clean looking merchandise as can the Graber force here. Ready-to-wear articles for men, women and children in large variety may be found. Dry goods, shoes and miscellaneous furnishings complete the stock. This store began operating here last September.

Sikeston Standard, $1.50 per year.

During Clean Up Week You Will Be Busy

LET US BAKE FOR YOU

Like Going Back Home!



BACK to mother's table and Butter Krust Bread! Our Bread is as good as Bread can be made—the finest ingredients, properly mixed—great for every meal of the day.

Phone 62

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SUPPER CLUB ORGANIZED IN PHARRIS RIDGE COMMUNITY

A 4-H Supper Club was organized Saturday afternoon, April 27, at the home of Mrs. R. Q. Brown in Pharris Ridge Community with a membership of six girls. The following officers were elected:

President, Edith Hensley; Vice-President, Louise Hill; Secretary Magdaline Mose; Cheer Leader, Jewell Ramsey; Club Reporter, Bernice Sutton; Song Leader, Geraldine Stabaugh. Mrs. R. Q. Brown will be the leaders for this Club.

Mrs. Brown was also leader of the Pharris Ridge Baking Clubs. It was decided to meet every week rather than every two weeks, which has been the general rule. The girls have not yet selected a name for their club, but will finish up all enrollment matters at their next meeting, at which time they expect to have at least two additional members. The girls are planning to complete their work in eight weeks.

The Supper Club project is food preparation, meal planning, table serving and the general diet of the family, and is one of the most interesting of the girls' 4-H Club projects. Following is a story written by Anna Baker, who was a member of the Pharris Ridge Baking Club:

On September 8, 1928 we met at M E. A. Hensley's. Mrs. J. C. Dow, Home Economics Agent, was there and explained to us how to bake good bread and the necessity of every girl knowing how.

She told us of the 4-H Club and how it would teach us to bake. So we decided to organize a 4-H Club, which we called a "4-H Jolly Bakers". We selected our President, Vice-President, Secretary, Reporter, Yell and Song Leader. We meet every two weeks. Mr. Brown gave us our Club record books to keep filled out and Baking Club I book for us to study. She explained every recipe carefully so it was easy for us to understand how to begin our baking. We each baked bread that week and took a loaf of bread to our leader's house. Mrs. Dow was there. She scored our bread and Edith Hensley's was best.

We next learned to bake fancy light bread and quick breads. We also made corn bread and dumplings They were all real good and everyone that saw and tasted them, said they were good. Thanks to the 4-H Club

We had a public demonstration at Mrs. R. Q. Brown's. We made pin wheel biscuits and fruit dumplings We also sang a few songs and yelled some yells.

The people that were present said our dumplings and pin wheel biscuits were real good.

Before I joined the 4-H Club, I couldn't cook bread that was very good. Now I can cook bread good as any experienced cook and I want to thank Mrs. Dow, Home Economic Agent, and our local leader, Mrs. Brown, for taking so much interest in us, and most of all, the good old 4-H Club. May it live forever.—Anna Baker, Sikeston, Mo. Route 3.

SHOWER FOR MISS MARY WILLIAMS SMITH

Mrs. Chas. Brown and Miss Margaret Hunter complimented Miss Mary Williams Smith with a miscellaneous shower Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Smith.

The bride-to-be was the recipient of many beautiful personal articles linens and brica brac.

The marriage of Miss Smith and Mr. Charles Berthe of Charleston will take place in June.

TO CONSIDER PLANS FOR SEMO GOLF TOURNEY SUNDAY

Clarence C. Scott will represent the Sikeston Club at a meeting of representatives from Poplar Bluff, Charleston, Fredericktown, Farmington and Cape Girardeau to perfect the schedule for a Southeas Missouri Championship tournament to be held in July. Each club will sponsor matches before the date of the big tourney to select teams. Tentative plans name July 4 and 7 as possible dates for the big play-off to be held at Cape Girardeau and Poplar Bluff. No tournament play is scheduled for this Sunday.

COUNCIL MEETS MONDAY

A regular monthly meeting of the City Council will be held at the City Hall next Monday evening.

"Pa", said the kid, "what is the most useless thing in the world?"

"Being right when your wife decides you are wrong, son", growled his dad.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Mrs. Nellie Estes is visiting in Jackson this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dudley drove to Dexter Wednesday evening to view the National Guards.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert drove to Dexter Tuesday to visit Mrs. Lampert's sister, Mrs. Waggoner.

Mrs. L. C. Leai, of the Western Union office, is home from a visit with relatives at Higginsville, Mo.

S. Feinberg of Cape Girardeau was a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert Wednesday afternoon.

Vernon "Jimmie" Skillman left on the 2:30 a. m. Sunnyland Wednesday for St. Louis, where he will take a position.

A large shipment of fine silk dresses, suitable for graduation wear have been received at the Becker Store from New York markets.

SPRING COATS

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Greatly Reduced Prices

Coats worth $9.95 to $ 14.95

Now $8.95

Coats worth $15.95 to $24.95

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Here's a chance to get a beautiful Spring Coat for a fraction of their value. Every Coat Must Go.

We are also showing a beautiful assortment of Early Summer Dresses in georgette, prints and crepes at

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The Standard is sorry that the verdict in the Akin-Lang suit at Jackson Wednesday was not in favor of the defendants. We are not questioning the rulings of the Judge, his charge to the jury or anything of that sort, for the case was tried on the contract alone, and circumstances that led to the purchase of the second hand machinery, or the loss and damage to our farmers under contract to furnish the produce, could not be admitted. If the fire had not occurred and the management of the plant carried out as was believed would be, it would have been a fine thing for the community at large and paid the stockholders in a small way.

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The next step in improving conditions in Sikeston calls for the paving of North Kingshighway. Objectors last fall pointed out, and justly so that so long as water continued to flood the street, that they would not be interested in paving. That condition will soon be remedied, and the next should-be-done project is "Pave North Kingshighway" .

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Nope, the Editor did not volunteer when Mr. Gilbert, the hypnotist, called for volunteers the other night. Weak minds, we understand, are necessary and a public demonstration of our qualifications was not desirable.

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Sikeston's dirt streets are in better shape now than for many a day. The next step in making this condition of good side streets semi-permanent is to oil them, and oil them at once. J. F. Cox last Monday night reported to the Drainage Meeting at the City Hall, that he has an option to buy four cars of street oil at a very good price, cheaper we understand, than was available last year. The City will furnish the necessary equipment and men to put oil on the streets, if the property owners will pay for the oil, and that averages about six cents per front foot. There are some objections to oiling, but what they are we do not know, but it seems that $6 expended on a 100-foot frontage. resulting in no dust, no mud and practically guaranteeing permanent streets at least for one year, would be a good investment for anyone. Property owners who desire their streets oiled should get busy with petitions and the oil will be forthcoming at once.

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Additional support for an appropriation of $373,900 to maintain National Guard work in Missouri is needed before final action is taken by the Senate Committee on Appropriations. There is grave danger that the body in question will pare down the suggested amount in order that the estimated State revenue will cover each item requested. In that connection, however, it should be pointed out that the present state of perfection and organization of the Missouri National Guard cannot be maintained on inadequate finances. In past years, the levee board of Charleston has been forced to advance money so that levee work by the local Units could be maintained. At Poplar Bluff, citizens had to take up a free will collection during the storm several years ago. This humiliating condition was brought about when State aid was not forthcoming to properly continue the work. With all due respect to the representatives and senators on the budget finance committee, it is to be remembered that many localities in Missouri are never in position to feel the need of the National Guard in times of crisis such as storms, floods and the like; but in Southeast Missouri particularly, very serious conditions have been met in the past, and good cause exists to support such work in the future. There may be a tendency on the part of some to disparage the work of the National Guard, but those who have had occasion to rely upon it for protection, have found nothing but praise for the organization.

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Style is not sacrificed in the latest shipment of ladies' and Misses' slippers. $3.85 at the I. Becker Store.

Mrs. L. C. Berthe of Charleston was an out-of-town visitor Tuesday and attended the shower given for Miss Mary Williams Smith.

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WEATHER MODULATES AFTER COLD SNAP

Overcoats, topcoats and coal were in demand Thursday morning in contrast to summer weight clothes straw hats and ice the day previous following a freak cold snap that bro't snow to St. Louis and DeSoto hail at Flat River, Perryville, Herrin Ill., and other points north and east. The storm passed over this territory Wednesday afternoon and evening with heavy rains that evening and night and high winds and much lightning. The latter struck the Fred Strewe home on William Street, but injured none of the family, nor did it damage the house very much.

Farmers stated Thursday morning that farming operations, plowing and planting would be held up the remainder of this week due to the heavy rain.

Communication lines were practically cut off to points north Thursday morning. A brief survey revealed that long distance lines were out from Cape Girardeau to St. Louis Western Union lines, both here and at Poplar Bluff were down, and St. Louis could not be reached. Bluff operators relayed their messages thru the local office to points South and East. Even the Missouri Pacific telegraph lines in this office were out of commission. The Frisco lines were open throughout the system, according to the operator there, who stated that he was able to reach St. Louis without difficulty, and who also gave short summaries of the storm conditions north of here and in Illinois.

His flashes over the wire reported a six-inch snow at St. Louis and a steady fall since 6:00 a. m. Thursday in the Lead Belt region.

Cold winds that scudded heavy threatening clouds over this town from Northwest to Southeast bro't a sharp drop in temperature during the night, but a definite tread to warmer was noted as the day advanced.

Chester, Ill., May 2.—Heavy rains accompanied by high wind and electrical display passed over this city at 4:00 p. m. yesterday.

Seven persons were killed and more than thirty injured in windstorms which swept through portions of Arkansas Wednesday night. The storm center seemed to be about Wheatley, Ark., but information is filtering in slowly because of damaged communication lines. Fort Smith, Ark., was also reported in the path of the storm which injured 12 persons and caused damage estimated at $50,000.

Rich fruit areas in Williamsn County in Southern Illinois, reported damage from hail to the extent of one-half million dollars. Spillerton, Marion and Herrin suffered from hailstones, some as large as 3 inches in diameter.

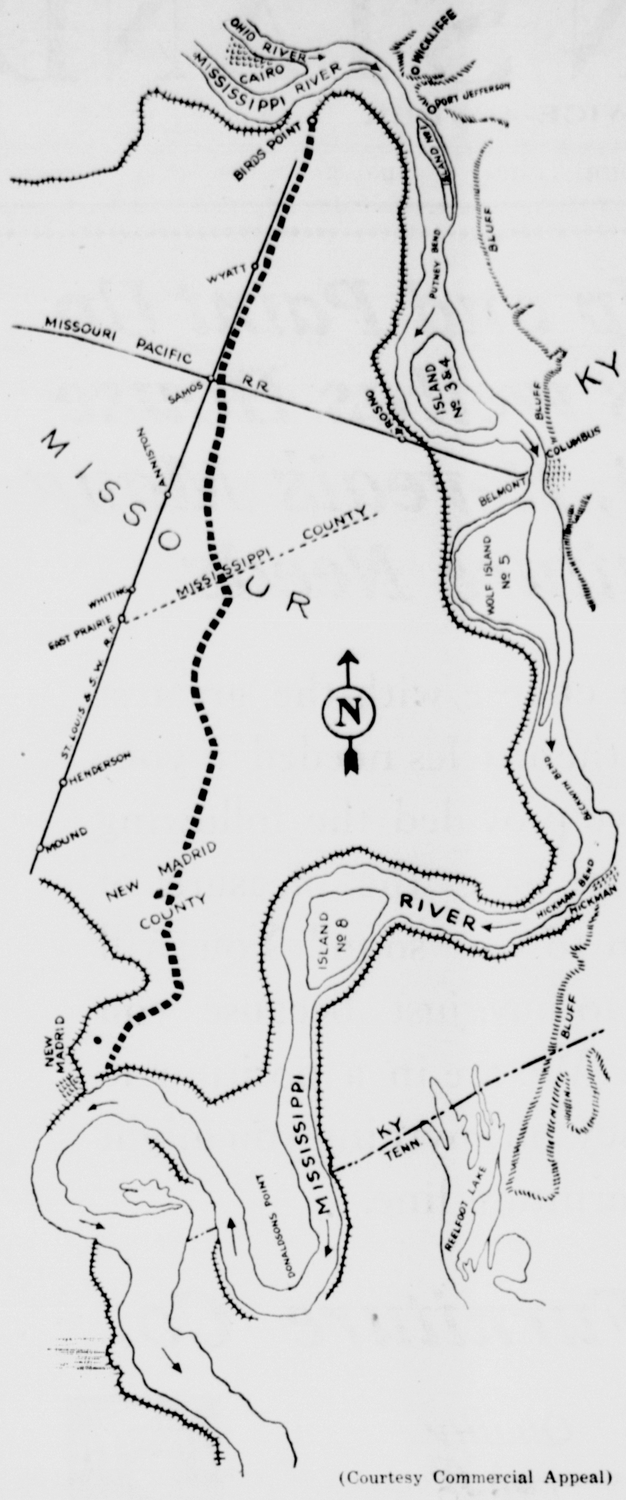
At Herrin a circus was forced to cut the ropes on the "big top", to keep it from being blown away. House roofs, greenhouses, autos and crops are reported to have suffered.

A severe hail storm at Flat River caused considerable damage to crops and windows of homes.

Local telegraph operators Thursday morning, stated that the Missouri Pacific station at Clara City in Jackson County was unroofed.

The storm condition bringing snow, hail, wind and rain was general over the West and Southwestern portion of the States.

With just about two weeks left in the present session of the Legislature, that body is seriously considering a measure whcih, if passed, will seriously hamper the proper functioning of State educational, eleemosynary and other institutions. Briefly the bill by H. S. Bales of Newton County would establish an executive budget system under the State Tax Commission which would require the State University, among others, to pay into the State treasury all moneys received. and then wait for an appropriation by the Legislature to expend that money. No doubt the measure has some good points; but it is not desirable from more than one practical angle. The measure is so worded that it will be possible to divert the money receivable at State institutions into the general revenue fund and deprive the university and other institutions of it altogether, "if such moneys are deemed unnecessary for the support of that institution" The irony of that statement will appeal to anyone versed with actual conditions. Nine-tenths of the State institutions have for the past decade operated on reduced appropriations In the case of the university, funds have been continually reduced, high-ranking scholars on the faculty have deserted to better paying positions needed repairs to buildings have been neglected, new buildings and new equipment have not been allowed—lack of funds. Now the gentleman of Newton County would place in the hands of the General Assembly, also termed the Legislature, the power to disallow a State institution the use of funds contributed by foundations, honorary organizations friends and moneys received from fees. We believe that the Honorable Body the Legislature, and Mr. Bales in particular, could spend time to better advantage by working out a plan of adequately financing the State institutions, instead of working for the depletion of already depleted funds.



(Courtesy Commercial Appeal)

The drawing above shows the proposed Birds Point-New Madrid Floodway levee, bids for which will be opened by Lieut. Col. F. B. Wilby district United States engineer, May 22. The levee will cost in excess of $2,500,000.

The line running from Birds Point at the top and reaching to New Madrid, a distance of 28 1-2 miles, indicates where the new levee will be built. The other lines, with the crosses are the present levee.

The present leve will be lowered five feet, so that when the river reaches a stage of 55 feet at Cairo the water will cross the present levee and enter the channel or floodway between the present and proposed levees, floding 135,000 acres in New Madrid and Mississippi Counties, Mo., relieving the pressure at Cairo.

The government is taking steps to acquire flowage rights in the land that will be flooded. It is estimated that the acreage will not be flooded more than once in ten or twelve years.

Whom the Gods love, they would first destroy. Well, Southeast Missouri has been practically destroyed for the past three years as far as crops are concerned, and perhaps we're in for a bit of loving by the Gods this trip. Looks that way now with storms to the left of us, and storms to the right of us vollying and thundering, but this area so far has escaped. May the Gods be gracious.

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Mrs. Ray Oliver and children of Detroit, Mich., who are guests of friends in Sikeston, was called to Dexter Tuesday afternoon on account of the serious illness of her father, J. F. Blankenship. Mr. Blankenship is now a patient in Barnes Hospital where he is receiving treatment for heart trouble.

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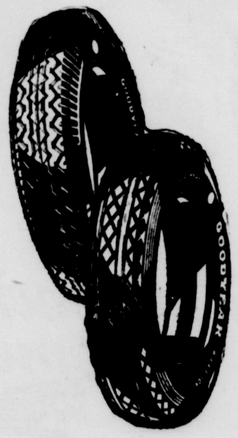

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8 APPLY FOR CROP LOANS THURS. A. M.

Eight applications for farm crop loans ranging in amount from $100 to $500 had been received up to Thursday 11:00 o'clock, at the office of L M. Stallcup, representing the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Credit Corporation in Sikeston.

The bank is organized and is ready to transact business for the sole purpose of furnishing credit to assist in making crops this year.

The money borrowed from this Corporation must not be used for any other purpose.

The Federal Intermediate Credit Bank furnishes the money to be loaned by rediscounting notes made to the Agricultural Credit Corporation. Therefore, these notes must meet the requirements of the Intermediate Credit Bank in order to be eligible for rediscount. That is, the notes must be made by farmers and must represent advances for crop production and must be satisfactorily secured.

In case of loans to tenant farmers, waiver of landlords' liens for rent and advances will be required.

No loans will be accepted when amounts exceed the actual requirements of the borrower to produce his crops.

As the purpose of these loans is to finance the production of crops they will be expected to be repaid when crops are harvested and can be marketed.

It is customary in connection with crop production loans to advance the proceeds of the loan to the borrower in installments as the season progresses and his needs require.

One director of the Credit Corporation lives in each of the counties to be served and he will arrange to have blank forms of application in the hands of some person in the various communities of his county.

The questions in this application forms must be fully answered and the applicant for loan must have his signature attested by someone competent to take his acknowledgment.

Dircetors:

W. F. Shelton, Kennett, Dunklin County.

Lynn M. Stallcup, Sikeston, Scott County.

V. Moran, Bloomfield, Stoddard County.

Ralph Anderson, Gideon, New Madrid County.

Buckner Ragsdale, Charleston Mississippi County.

H. I. Himmelberger, Cape Girardeau, Cape Girardeau County.

RADISH GROWERS STANDING BY FOR OTHER CROPS

The five radish growers in this district this Spring report that they are standing by now for other crops such as early turnips before making additional shipments to city markets

Milan—Milan Lumber Company's office remodeled.

Supt. Yates, of the Lilbourn school system, attended the meeting of the Auxiliary and Legion here, Wednesday night.

In this issue of The Standard will be found a map of the proposed floodway in Mississippi County as outlined by government engineers. We are indebted to the Commercial Appeal for the loan of the cut, which courtesy is greatly appreciated.

The Editor expects to be present Friday afternoon to witness the track meet at the gym field Friday afternoon. Incidently the fact that girls from all over the district will be present in abbreviated attire may help break the monotony of the afternoon.

The coming Sunday edition of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch will carry a picture of the Chinese Wistaria vine at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Adams. Sikeston readers of this St Louis paper will often find items of interest and pictures of Sikeston persons and views of the town in that paper.

LIONS CLUB HEARS REPORTS AT THURSDAY MEETING

Reports by Charles Hebbeler on the progress of the North Sikeston drainage project, and one by Lynn Stallcup and Lyle Malone on the canning factory suit at Jeckson were heard at the Lions Club meeting Thursday noon. Delegates to the Springfield Lions Club Convention were instructed to leave Sunday. Lyle Malone, President of the Chamber of Commerce, agreed to investigate the possibility of having companies who own communication lines along Malone Avenue to place the wires in conduits, and to remove the unsightly poles which now clutter up the parkway.

D. A. R. MEETS AT DEXTER

The local chapter of the D. A. R. will meet Saturday at Dexter at the home of Mrs. E. P. Crowe, with Mrs Crowe and her mother, Mrs. Laura Smith, hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Duncan of Springfield are the gusets of the former's parents.

The Co-Workers had a splendid meeting at the home of Mrs. Jos. L Matthews Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Young, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Francis and Miss Nell Williams visited in Cape Girardeau Sunday.

Mrs. N. C. Watkins and children of Magnolia, Ark., arrived Thursday afternoon for a visit with Mrs. Watkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Blanton.

At any rate, the cold snap Thursday helped the coal dealers to dispose of their left-over winter supply and encouraged our friend, the Police Judge, to lay his straw hat in moth balls for another week. The Judge has been quite prominent of late in a summer weight suit and straw lid but the cold wind whistling down frmo the Northeast put a stop to that.

S'TON MEN LEAD COW TESTING ASSOCIATION IN PRODUCTION

The monthly report of the Southeast Missouri Cow Testing Association, soon to be published, will state that J. A. Montgomery of Dexter, C. E. Kaufman and Arnold Roth of Sikeston have herds of high grade cows and that the three mentioned lead in the association for the month just past for butterfat production. For the past several months the much desired first places have gone the rounds of Hebbeler, Montgomery Kaufman and Roth. Hebbeler and Montgomery are Jersey producers while Kaufman and Roth favor Holsteins. The three leaders in March were Montgomery first, Kaufman second and Roth third.

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We often wonder what it takes to bring happiness. Most folks without money wish they had more of it and those who have most of it, also seem disgruntled and out of sorts. When it is all leveled down, the most of us get along pretty well with health, three squares a day and a good place to sleep, and some manage to snatch a bit of happiness out of less than that.

Cotton planting time will be here as soon as the weather clears up from the present cold flurry, and that will most likely be next week. In that connection, a word to the wise about planting good cotton seed should be sufficient. Any number of cotton growers have told the editor that the finest seed they ever carried over turned out to be trash as far as germination goes this spring. One man in particular stated this week that he saved a large quantity of what he thought to be first class cotton seed only to find that it was improperly matured, green and wet and that germination tests indicated very low production. Good seed costs around 5½ to 6 cents a pound, but in the long run the results will much more than offset the first cost.

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for May

Our desire to present to the women of this community a display of garments right up to the minute in style, prompts us to urge you to come and view our present showings. You will find plenty of styles well within the price range you anticipate paying. See them today.

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ILLMO BRAKEMAN, 34, DIES AFTER FALL FROM FREIGHT

Illmo, May 2.—P. H. Owens, 34 years old, of Illmo, for 15 years an employe of the Cotton Belt railroad, died early Wednesday at Greenway Ark., of injuries received two hours previously, when he fell from a moving freight train near Greenway.

Owens was found by J. H. Joinet and W. M. Anderson, railroad employes, sitting beside the railroad a short way from Greenway. He was still conscious, but succumbed before an ambulance could arrive to take him to a hospital at Piggott, Ark.

Before passing away, Owens said he stumbled and fell between two box cars. He pushed himself from between the cars and to the outside of the track before the train could hit him. He suffered a broken leg and severe internal injuries from the fall. His absence from the train which was moving northward, was not noticed until some time later.

The body was brought here today and funeral servcies will be held today. He is survived by a widow and two children.

HARRY JONES IN CHARGE OF H. & M. STORE: GRADDY MOVES

Harry Jones has assumed full charge of the local H. & M. store since Monday morning, when Mr. and Mrs. Amos Graddy moved to Carbondale, Ill., where Mr. Graddy will be manager of a new branch of the H. & M. Store chain.

Manager Jones has been working for the company for the past eight months, and is known to a great number of Sikeston folks as an honest and dependable young man, who meets the trade well and who has established a growing following of shoppers. We regret to see Mr. and Mrs. Graddy leave, and we wish to congratulate the new manager.

Franchise awarded for installation of gas in Pleasant Hill.

Bellflower—Ulrich's Cafe altered and improved.

Washington—Immanuel Lutheran church to be redecorated.

West Plains—Sound equipment to be installed at Famous Theatre.

Willow Springs awarded contract for street graveling work.

LEGISLATURE NO WON $1 A DAY WAGE: PASSED LEGISLATURE NOW ON

Jefferson City, May 1.—The General Assembly of Missouri went upon a salary of $1 a day today. The 120 days, for which members were entitled to $5 a day, expired yesterday. The clerical army of the Legislature will not be affected. Adjournment is expected May 15. The Legislature has passed but eight bills, including the two bills to put into effect the $75,000,000 road program voted by the people last November.

The House is so nearly up with its work that it will adjourn from day to day to await consideration of Senate bills and to give the Senate time to pass the appropriation measures. These have not been taken up by the Senate Appropriations Committee formally, but Chairman Painter has been checking over the appropriations and laying plans to slash those made by the House to bring them within the expected revenues.

Illmo's garment factory now in operation.

Auto Service, Inc., of Greenville located branch in Lutesville.

Cass County Telephone Company erecting building at Harrisonville.

WHAT IT COSTS TO GOVERN US

By PROF. M. H. HUNTER
Dept. of Economics, Univ. of Illinois

The Failure of the General Property Tax

WHO has not paid a property tax? Those who support state and local governments doubtless have, for these governments have relied greatly upon property taxes. The principle has been that the amount of property of an individual is an indication of his ability to pay taxes.

In order to levy a tax on the value of property, the value must be ascertained. The task of doing this has usually been placed in the hands of a locally elected assessor. He is usually expected to complete his task in a few weeks' time, while the pay is not sufficient to attract the most capable men. The fact that the assessor must depend upon the votes of those he assesses, has often resulted in favoritism in assessments.

Most states have passed stringent laws in order to make the assessment of property effective. In Illinois, for example, the assessor must take oath, give bond, and is subject to fine and imprisonment if he does not value all property at its full value. The assessed must take oath as to the accuracy of the list given to the assessor, and is subject to fine and imprisonment should he falisfy. In addition, provision is made for the publication of the assessment list and for boards of review.

A few figures taken from the assessment list will show how utterly this stringent legislation has failed in the assessment of all property. In Cook county, the county in which Chicago is located, there was returned to the assessor in 1926, 17,000 automobiles valued at $202 each; 1,000 fire and burglar proof safes and vaults valued at $52 each; 7,000 watches and clocks valued at $17 each; diamonds and jewelry valued at $202,000; and bonds and stocks valued at $1,407,000.

This condition is not peculiar to Cook county, Illinois, but is the same wherever an attempt is made to assess all forms of property. In no case is there more than a very small fraction of the money, stocks, bonds, mortgages and other personal property placed upon the tax books.

This condition has caused a great deal of injustice. The property of some may be in the hands of trustees and easily listed; some may be ignorant of how the system works, and through this ignorance turn in property to the assessor; some may be so absolutely honest that they will not falsify a return, even in self-defense against those who deliberately falsify.

It has been aptly said that the general property tax penalizes the helpless, the ignorant, and the honest.

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Clean Up Time Is New Curtain and Drapery Time

A Clean House Calls for CRISP NEW CURTAINS

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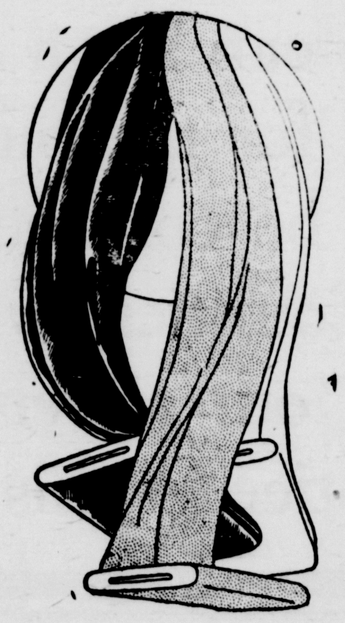

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Apple Butter Country Club, qt.	27c	Prunes, small size 3 pounds	25c
Graham Wafers 2 lb. package	28c	Sardines, tomato oval, 3 cans	27c
OLEO, Wondernut per pound	19c	Milk, Country Club 3 tall cans	25c
Corn Flakes, Country Club package	10c	K. C. Baking Powder can	19c
BANANAS 2 pounds	15c	ORANGES, 216 size, dozen	40c
Strawberries		Lettuce, head	15c

BACON HICKORY SMOKED LEAN FOR BREAKFAST 3 lbs. or more lb. 22c

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIAL
CAMPELL BEANS 2 CANS 17c

CHAFFEE BOYS ON SIKESTON BALL CLUB

Jos. "Buster" Brown, Chris Roland and Nathan "Red" Carle of this city were in the line-up of the Sikeston ball club last Sunday when that team defeated a nine from Johnston City, Ill. Roland pitched the first six innings while Brown caught seven and Carle played the last three in left field. The Sikeston Standard in commenting on the looks of the club, praised the work of "Buster" behind the bat.

Following is their comment of the club in general:

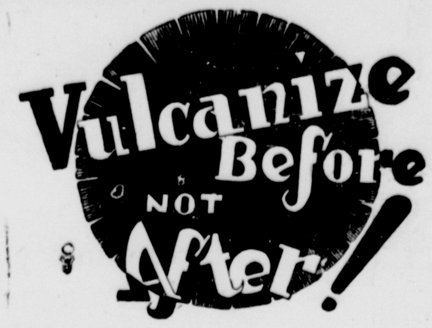
"The performance of local talent on the diamond assures Sikeston fans of a winning team this season. Especially good was the infield work of Burrus, who acquired two putouts and handled six assists with only one error, and that was more fluke than error. The first position filled by Dudley and Craig, retired fifteen batsmen for Johnson City with only one error, and that proved not to be costly. The old reliable Dowdy, in centerfield, had no chance last Sunday to show his ability, but the said gentleman has a very comforting habit of being where a fly ball is going to land—and it generally meets leather. Ancell, also, had no chance to display his talents. Young Swaim made several good catches, handled a wicked bat, and showed makings of good material for the season. Malone had no occasion to use his entire pitching staff. Roland and Meredith managed to hold the visitors to three hits, and kept Sells and Burrus from receiving a tryout in the box. Brown proved to be a real catcher and one who can handle a variety of hard material. Besides displaying real ability behind the stick, this gentleman collected two hits and crossed the plate for two markers. Sikeston has plenty of strong material, the team is pepped up over its first victory, and is game to tackle anything in its class or out of it during the season. We would like to see a dozen cars full of rabid rooters follow through to Malden next Sunday to watch them take the hide off of Rector, Ark."—Chaffee Signal.

Ferguson—Blick Building improved.

J. C. Penney Company opened store in South St. Louis.

John Elkins accompanied Mrs Elkins to St. Louis the first of the week, where she underwent a skin grafting operation. No word of her condition has been received.

The Sikeston Chapter of Eastern Star will sponsor a benefit motion picture show at the alone Theatre this coming Wednesday night. Individual members of the Order are in charge of ticket sales. Admission is 30 cents.



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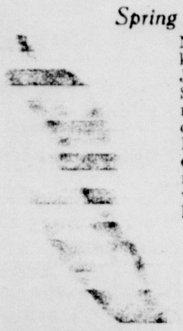
Choose those things best suited to your needs—see to it that every article you select has some direct bearing on your special problems in cleaning—buy only the best—you will find it an economy in the end. Then, well equipped, you can approach the spring housecleaning problem with a certainty that it will be speedily finished in the most efficient and modern way.

Spring Cleaning Hardware



New broom were always known to sweep more clean. Just so, it's true that your Spring housecleaning will be more thoroughly and better done with all equipment new. Much-used mops and brushes, pans and pails, all hinder more than help. Clean house with new, clean house-work-helps like these:

PAINTS & BRUSHES
RAKES, SHOVELS
PAILS, SOAP
MOPS, DUST CLOTHS
LAWN MOWERS
GARDEN HOSE

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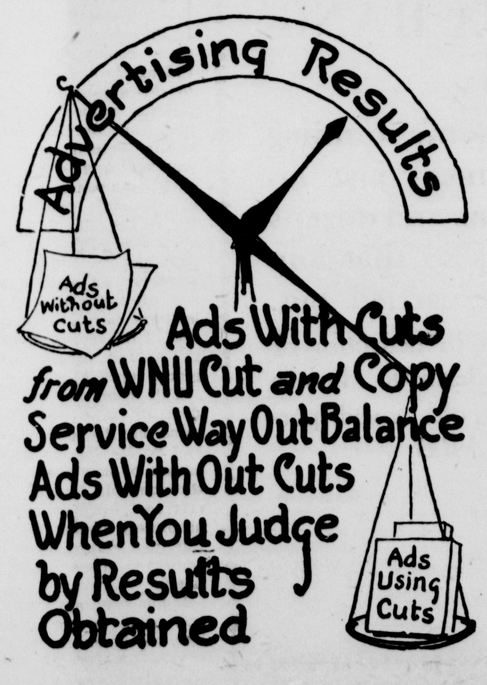
THE END OF YOUR QUEST FOR QUALITY

The Standard

will shortly have an announcement to make that should be of interest to the public, bring financial returns to management and greatly increase our circulation. Mr. David Blanton is expected in the city soon after June 1st and will then map out his plan of campaign. It is the desire and intention of the management to so conduct this campaign that no other newspaper in Scott or adjoining Counties will have cause to find fault. The Standard has been on the square in all it's business dealings and will continue so to the end. Our readers know us like a book and when it comes time for David to take the field, hope they can say a good word to their neighbors for the publication. Our efforts will be confined to Scott and adjoining Counties where we can be of service to our advertisers. Watch for further notice in this publication.



SOME WEATHER PROVERBS HAVE MORE OR LESS TRUTH

While scientific meteorology still looks askance at the possibility of making seasonal forecasts, proverb meteorology—the old sayings about the weather that have grown up thru hundreds of years' observation on the part of those who live out of doors a great deal of the time—is reody to venture a guess as to what effect various types of weather will have on agricultural crops, particularly on fruit.

For example, a continuous or nearly continuous covering of snow, incident to a cold winter, not only delays the blossoming of fruit trees until after killing frosts are probably over, but also prevents that alternate thawing and freezing so ruinous to wheat and other winter grains. So the Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture points out that such proverbs as "A cold April the barn will fill", and "A late spring never deceives", contain more or less truth.

Sikeston Standard, $1.50 per year.

PAUL BESTOR TO HEAD FEDERAL FARM BOARD

Announcement was made in Thursday afternoon papers of the appointment of Horace Paul Bestor president of the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis to head the Federal Farm Loan Board. The appointment was made by President Hoover and confirmed by the Senate. He succeeds Eugene Meyer of Mount Kisko N. Y., whose resignation has been received. Bestor was prominent in the recently formed Southeast Missouri Agricultural Credit Bank.

Drunk: Must Work 15 Days

Leslie Fountaine, New Madrid printer, pleaded guilty in Police Court Monday afternoon to charges of being drunk, and agreed to work 15 days instead of planking down $15, fine and costs assessed by the Court. Fountaine is working on Lon Swanner's street gang, which has been engaged lately in cleaning up and leveling Malone Avenue parkway.

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LADY DOUGHBOYS FEED DOUGHBOYS WED. NITE

The Auxiliary of the Legion entertained the members of Henry Meldrum Post Wednesday evening with a spread following the meetings of the organizations in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

In spite of the inclement weather about forty were present for the entertainment and lunch. One member came from Lilbourn.

Legion Square plans were discussed and further improvement of the plot was planned. The Legionnaires are pleased to see that area immediately south of the Missouri Pacific tracks and bordering on Legion Square, is being improved to match up with the Square.

Members present at the meeting contributed funds for the purchase of a new flag for Memorial Day. The flag ordered is larger than any one yet flown from the pole.

Plans for Memorial Day observance are not yet completed, but will be announced soon through the press Flags for marking the graves of soldiers are here. The Auxiliary will collect flwoers, as has been their custom, and place them on the graves on the morning of Memorial Day Any persons having flowers which they will give for this purpose are requested to notify any officer of the Legion.

The Legion voted to contribute $25 for prizes to be given those members of Co. K, who make the highest score in rifle marksmanship at Camp Clark during August.

It was decided to use the National Color which a Gold Star mother presented to the Post, as the official Post color. A staff will be secured and this Color will be carried, for the first time, in the Memorial Day parade.

Capt. R. R. Reed has notified the Post that Co. K will participate in the parade and will furnish the firing squad.

The Drum and Bugle Corps decided to practice at 9:00 p. m. Thursday night at the Armory. This hour will permit members of the Corps who work late, to be present and help get in shape for the activities of the summer.

A meeting of the Legion of the 14th District will probably be held in Sikeston within a few weeks, and tentative plans concerning this meeting have been made.

A committee to handle the details of the annual Poppy Sale, will be announced at the meeting to be held Wedensday, May 15.

"THE LAKE OF LOT"

At last we emerged onto a desolate road, where we found an Arab encampment near the beach of the Dead Sea. The sea was no longer blue, but a dark gray green, reflecting the sombre colours of the hills of Moab. Those hills that look so wonderful in their azure splendour from a distance looked sombre and threatening at close quarters. The Arabs call the Dead Sea the Lake of Lot, for Mohammed introduced the story of Lot and the destruction of Sodom into the Koran. The surface of the sea lies about 1300 feet below the level of the Mediterrnean; it is 47 miles long, its greatest depth is 1300 and 10 feet and its greatest breadth some 10 miles. Into it the waters of the Jordan empty themselves, but it is an inexplicable phenomenon that these waters do not increase the bulk or alter the level of the sea. Many millions of tons of water roll day by day into the Dead Sea, but not a single ton of water is seen to roll out of it. The surface is generally motionless, but occasionally a stiff breezes will lash the sleepy waters into activity. This vast expanse of motionless water is shut in by 2 steep and barren mountain ranges, the chain of Judea and the tableland of Moab, its shores as parched as the country around bearing no traces of vegetation of the existence of man, except the occasional hut of a Bedouin, in keeping with its surroundings. What struck me as most curious was the impossibility of penetrating the waters of the Dead Sea beyond a few feet, beneath which they seem to be altogether opaque. A lady of our party had set her mind on bathing but she soon found that swimming was an impossibility, to' floating was comfortable and refreshing.

Presently a little naked dark skinned boy came out of a hut; quietly and solemnly he walked into the sea. When the water reached his knees he layed down on his back and kept still, with the burning sun beating down upon him. When he wanted to come out it needed some effort on his part to stand upright and on emerging, with the sun beating down upon him he looked for all the world like a pillar of salt. The Arab boy came and stood near us while he was scraping the salt from his body, but after much rubbing he still was covered with crystals clear as pearls. Then he lay down and panted in the sun with his feet just touching the miniature ripples of water.—Jimplicute.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TO CONDUCT SERVICES SUN.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the local Christian church will conduct the services at the church Sunday evening.

James McClelland will talk on "The Wonders of the Bible"; Hazel Lumsden on "Jesus, the Great Leader"; Virginia Kistner, "The Adventure" and Walter Weekley, president of the local Christian Endeavor, will discuss "The Place of Christian Endeavor in the Progarm of the Church". Kemper Bruton will have charge of the song service and Mrs. O. P. Bellanger, wife of the pastor, will render a solo.

The Christian Endeavor organization, composed of some of the brightest young people in Sikeston, is working faithfully and earnest to promote the furtherance of Christian fellowship in their church and the community in which they live.

SIKESTON ARTISTS AND STUDENTS DISPLAY WORK

The work of Virgin Williams and Louis Walker displayed in connection with a City-wide demonstration of Elementary and High School work is outstanding. Williams and Walker show four pictures worked in charcoal and represent first class black and white treatment of their respective subjects. Many amateur Sikeston critics are asking why the particular four are not entered in open competition with other State-wide displays of amateur artists.

Work from classes in writing, spelling, design and poster work ranging in grade from elementary to high school, is on display in various windows and bulletin boards about town and is attracting considerable favorable attention from Sikeston and visiting folks.

Building will be erected in Greentop to house Masonic and Odd Fellow quarters.

Greenville—Right-of-way secured by Mississippi River Fuel Corporation Corporation for construction of proposed gas line through Wayne County.

BALL TEAM TO MALDEN SUNDAY: PLAY RECTOR, ARK

Rector, Ark., feels lucky, according to Tom Malone, and will meet the locals on a strange diamond, at Malden, this Sunday afternoon to settle the difference of opinion.

Malone stated Thursday that a game scheduled with Marion, Ill., had been cancelled following the demonstration of the locals against Johnson City last Sunday.

The locals have signed up for a visit to Cairo on Sunday, May 12, to play the first game of a five-game series with that club.

COUNTY DECLAMATION MEET TO BE HELD AT BENTON FRI

The annual County eighth grade Declamation Contest will be held at Benton this Friday. Judges for the event will be Mrs. Roger Bailey, Mrs. Moore Greer and Supt. Roy V. Ellise all of this city. Sikeston schools will not be represented.

Capt. and Mrs. E. T. Wheatley were visitors to Cape Girardeau on Wednesday.

Mrs. A. C. Barrett delightly entertained the Tuesday Bridge Club and other friends Tuesday afternoon.

The last reports from the bedside of Gord Dill, who is in the Hospital in St. Louis, is that he is rapidly recovering from a serious operation.

ABOUT 1000 FEET OF PAVEMENT LAID ON CAPE- JACKSON PROJECT THIS WEEK

According to officials in the local Division 10 Highway office, the Rouse Construction Company has laid approximately 1000 feet of pavement on the Cape Girardeau-Jackson project. Work started last Monday morning with a force of 75 men. Work is being delayed to some extent on account of present high stage of the river which makes sand dredging impossible.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING

The regular Club meeting of the Woman's Club will be held at the home of Mrs. C. E. Brenton on North Ranney Tuesday afternoon, May 7, at 2:30. Mrs. H. M. Kendig will be the leader for the afternoon and the program will be music week.

DAIRY MEETING ATTRACTS 31 LAST TUESDAY NIGHT

Thirty-four farmers attended the Dairy Promotion meeting held at Russell Brothers' Implement building at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. E R. Lascelles, representing the Holstein Association, spoke on Feeding Breeding and Care of Dairy Cows that night and held a similar demonstration and talk at the Charles Kaufman farm, two miles east of the city the day following. County Agent A J. Renner attended both meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Pitt White of Bertrand were visitors to Sikeston Thursday.

C. C. White, Judge Barry, Misses Vivian Jackson and Eula Hahn returned to Jefferson City, Wednesday.

Missouri Pacific Railway bridge over Big Creek south of Pleasant Hill may be widened.

FOR RENT—A modern home on N. Ranney. Call or see E. J. Keith. tf.

FOR RENT—1 5-room house, water in house; also, 1 4-room house. Phone 418.

WANTED—Washings to do at home —Mrs. Gertrude Colley, 324 North Prairie.

FOR SALE—Guaranteed fresh eggs. Delivered to the home. Notify Louis Watkins, Vanduser, Mo.

FOR RENT—Two sets of furnished rooms for light housekeeping.—Mrs. J. H. Held, 341 North St. tf.

FOR RENT—3 or 4 rooms, furnished for light housekeeping. Light, water and bath.—Frank Heisler, 204 Lake Street. 2t.

GIRL WANTED to work for board and room. Call 394. 4t.

FOR SALE—5-room modern house, has double garage. Two block of business section. Will sell cheap if taken at once. Phone 522 or 593.—A. B. Proffer.

FOR SALE—A good saw mill rig, has extra cut-off saw, mandrel, track, engine with new cab. Guaranteed to work, in good condition. Will be sold at a bargain. See Thos. B. Dudley, Sikeston, Mo.

BABY CHICKS—Chix C. O. D. From matured year old hens laying over 50 per cent this January. Utility, per 100. All Leghorns $11, Rocks, Reds, Bf. Ops., Wyands., $13; Asst'd., $8; Heavies $10. Send 1c per chick. Bal. C. O. D. 100% alive. Catalog Free. Standard Egg Farms, Box 125, Cape Girardeau, Mo. 4t F.

NEW RECORDS THIS WEEK

No. 21917

Do Something
That's Why I'm Happy
Helen Kane

No. 21922

Love e Or Leave Me
Good Little, Bad Little Youn
Chick Endor

No. 21920

I Kiss You Hand, Madame
Josephita—Fox Trot
Leo Rersman and Orchestra

No. 21915

Dream Mother
A Garden in the Rain
Gene Austin

YOUNG'S PLACE

Phone 192

The Dressy Sports Coat

The More Formal Type of Tweed Coat Adopts Fur as Adornment

WHAT IT COSTS TO GOVERN US

By PROF. M. H. HUNTER
Dept. of Economics, Univ. of Illinois

The Gasoline Tax

THE tax you pay on gasoline helps to make about $190,000,000 a year in gasoline tax receipts. Oregon, in 1919, was the first state to levy such a tax. In this same year Colorado, North Dakota, and New Mexico levied a similar tax. The use of no other tax has been extended so rapidly for at present there are but three states, New York, Massachusetts and Illinois—the Supreme court of Illinois in February having declared the tax as levied unconstitutional—which do not have the tax. Practically the entire revenue goes for the construction or maintenance of highways. The rate varies in different states from one cent a gallon to five cents.

It is but fair when the government performs a special service for an individual that he should stand at lenst a part of the cost. Thus in paving streets the owners of abutting property are made to pay a part if not all the cost of the improvement.

The construction and maintenance of highways, while of great social good, confer a special benefit on the motorist. The greater use he makes of the road, the greater the benefit There is a definite relation between the amount of gasoline consumed and the number of miles traveled, the weight of the car, and the wear and tear on the highway. A tax on gasoline, then, is a fair way of charging the motorist for the benefit he receives.

It is difficult to say just what part of road costs should be borne by the motorists, but whatever part it may be can better come from a gasoline tax than from the license fee. There is no relation between $10 or $20 a year and the use made of the road. A farmer may be able to use the road but a few months yet his license will be the same as one who may use the road every day in the year Justice would seem to indicate a small registration fee, and the reliance upon the gasoline tax for the desired revenue.

The use of the gasoline tax has been an aid to the pay-as-you-go policy of highway finance. The increasing maintenance costs as roads get older makes this desirable. The uncertainty of the life of a highway makes borrowing for any long period of time an undesirable policy.

The gasoline tax has the further advantage of being a method of receiving some payment from the out-of-state motorist for the roads he is using. In some states such collections are not inconsiderable.

There is no reason why the rates should vary so much in the different states, and any movement leading to uniformity should be encouraged.

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at the
MALONE THEATRE
Friday Afternoon and Evening, May 24th

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Hail Insurance
The hail season is here!
He who plants should take no chance! My company, one of the very strongest, will insure your crop of wheat, rye, oats, soybeans, corn or cotton at the lowest cost possible.
You can give your note for the premium payable out of the crop WITHOUT INTEREST THEREON.
For this valuable protection see
Howard E. Morrison
Room 17 Sikeston Trust Co. Bldg.
Phone 551 Sikeston, Mo.

PIGGLY WIGGLY

Friday and Saturday Specials

Strawberries, quart boxes	**25c**
Green Beans, pound	**18c**
Potatoes, per peck, 15 lbs.	**21c**
McLaren's Salad Dressing, Pint Jars	**22c**
McLaren's Salad Dressing, Quart Jars	**42c**
Standard Corn, 3 cans for	**25c**
Soap, P & G, 10 bars for	**37c**
Blanco Nut Oleomargarine lb.	**17c**
Sugar, pure cane, 10 lb. bulk for	**55c**
Flour, Self Rising, 24 lb. sack	**82c**
Chum Salmon, No. 1 cans	**15c**
Coffee, Maxwell House, lb can	**47c**
Coffee, H & K, 1 lb. can	**47c**

MEAT MARKET

Pure Lard, lb.	**13½c**
Pure Lard, 50 lb. cans	**$6.75**
Hams, Fresh Pork, ½ or whole	**28c**
Pork Loins, ½ or whole	**27c**
HAMS, Hunter Sugar Cured, ½ or whole	**30c**
Pork Shoulders, whole, lb.	**21c**
Smoked Jowls, lb.	**17c**
Bacon, Sugar Cured, ½ or whole, lb.	**24c**
Bacon, Dry Salt, lb.	**18c**
Jowls, Dry Salt, lb.	**13c**
Spring Chickens, lb.	**50c**

MALONE THEATRE

7:15 O'clock Nightly

FRIDAY
Afternoon and Evening

ERICH VON STROHEIM'S "The Wedding March"
WITH
FAY WRAY
A Paramount Picture

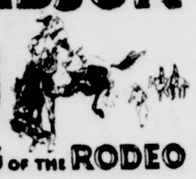
....the murmur of thousands of persons gathered in the great square before the Cathedral of St. Stephan in Vienna; the measured hoof-beats of military horses; the commands of the officers; the great chimes of the Cathedral; the sonorous strains of the organ as the church service opens ....Prince "Nicki", the ideal of all the ladies of Vienn awith whom he dallies for pastime, emerges with his wealthy crippled wife while Mitiz, the girl he played with and learned to love, looks on. Prince "Nicki"—the cad, the lover, the darling of Vienna. Cecelia—crippled, wealthy and adoring. Mitizi—the loveliest createur of all his playthings loves him and is loved—only to sacrifice everything! Magnificent in its power, scope, beauty and emotion!

PATHE REVIEW and Comedy—"MANCHEE LOVE"

Matinee 3 p. m.—Adm. 10c & 25c
Evening 7:15 & 8.45—Adm. 10c & 35c

SATURDAY
Continuous show 2:30 to 11:00

HOOT GIBSON



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The greatest combination of thrills, drama and laughs that you ever saw. All the big time hair-raising stunts of Tex Austin's famous Chicago Rodeo PLS Hoot Gibson in a rollicking story full of thrills and laughs. You'll never know how good—and how modern—a Western picture can be until you see it.

AESOP FABLES and Episode 4—TARZAN

Admission 2:30 to 6—10c & 25c
Admission 6 to 11 15c and 25c

MONDAY and TUESDAY

JACK HOLT and DOROTHY REVIER in

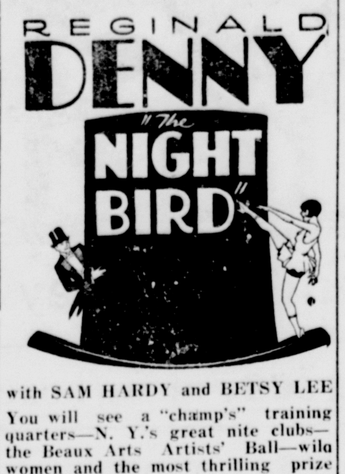
"Submarine"

NEWS and COMEDY—"TAXI BEATIES"

MATINEE—MONDAY 3:00 P. M.
ADMISSION 10c & 25c
EVENINGS—7:15 and 8:45 P. M.
ADMISSION 10c & 35c

WEDNESDAY

He was a fighting "Champ" but so afraid of "Women" that hte littlest one of all knocked him out of the prize ring—and into a wedding ring! Denny's funniest—best



with SAM HARDY and BETSY LEE

You will see a "champ's" training quarters—N. Y.'s great nite clubs—the Beaux Arts Artists' Ball—wild women and the most thrilling prize fight ever screened.

NEWS and Comedy—"SHE'S GOING SAILOR"

Admission 10c and 25c

THURSDAY

Don Terry in "Fugitives," Fox Picture

MADGE BELLAMY, DON TERRY, EARLE FOXE, ARTHUR STONE, LUMSDEN HARE

Story by Richard Harding Davis

The long arm of the law gets a strangle hold on an innocent girl in a thrilling drama of Brightest Broadway and Darkest Africa.

Comedy—"STAGE FRIGHT"

Admission 10c and 25c

COMING—Milton Sills and Maria Cordia in "LOVE AND THE DEVIL" also Colleen Moore in "WHY BE GOOD"

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MATTHEWS

Mr. and Mrs. George Elderbrooks motored to Canalou Monday on business.

Miss Blanche Revelle were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

W. B. Lucas and wife of Benton were in Mathews, Monday, on business.

Mrs. J. W. Whiton and daughters, Mrs. Kline T. Hope and Miss Deene Whitton, shopped in Sikeston Tuesday.

Mesdames G. D. Steele, F. E. Story, F. E. Sibley motored to Cape Girardeau, Tuesday.

Mrs. Ella Prouty of Sikeston is the guest of Mrs. Maggie Hunott this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ola Warren and little son are visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Warren at La Forge, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hill are the proud parents of a fine baby girl.

Miss Wava Watkins came down from Sikeston Saturday and spent the week-end with her brother, Russell and little sister, Viva.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McCarty and daughter, Dolores, spent Sunday with Mrs. McCarty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rice returned to St. Louis, Sunday, after a few days visit here with the latter's mother, Mrs. Cora Gossitt.

E. W. Wilson and Simms of Canalou had business here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn shopped in Sikeston, Monday.

Harrisonville—Pearsons' Grocery Store extensively remodeled.

Normandy—Increased school facilities planned for Normandy Consolidated School District.

ITEMS FROM MINER SWITCH

Wade Malcolmn was an Oran visitor, Wednesday.

J. V. Farrell is able to sit up after several weeks' of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Poe of Oran visited Mrs. Eubanks, Sunday.

W. T. Boyd of St. Louis visited his mother, Mrs. C. W. Smoot, Sunday.

John Suchmann of St. Louis spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Suchmann.

Goldburne Wheeler left Monday aftrenoon for Dertoit, Mich., to seek employment.

Mrs. Eubanks has been called to Charleston, Ill., on account of the serious illness of her father.

The Bertrand high school will put on a play at the Community House here Friday night, May 3. Admission 15c and 25c.

Mrs. Clyde Poe of Oran entertained the Merry Matron Club at her home in Oran Wednesday afternoon. The who attended from Miner were: Mrs. Roland Malcolm and her mother, Mrs. Stalls of St. Louis; Mrs. Paul Buchholtz, Mrs. W. F. Woods, Mrs Wade Malcolm, Mrs. C. W. Smoot Mrs. Ben Matthews, and Mrs. W. W. Hargrave. Refreshments of ice cream and angel food cook were served.

ROAD REPORT

General: The highways of the Division are in fair conditon.i Some softand rough spots in gravel sections have been causing inconvenience to traffic, but these places are being taken care of as rapidly as possible.

U. S. Route 60: Springfield-Poplar Bluff-Sikeston-Birds Point. Carter County line to Poplar Bluff, 21 miles. Gravel surface. Condition good.

Bluff to Dudley, 17.6 miles. Concrete pavement.

Dudley to Gray Ridge, 22 miles Gravel surface. Condition good.

Gray Ridge to Birds Point, 38 miles. Concrete pavement.

U. S. Route 61: St. Louis-Fredericktown?Sikeston-Arkansas State line.

St. Francis County line to Fredericktown (int. U. S. Route 67) 5 miles Gravel surface, good.

ntersection of U. S. Route 67 to Intersection of Route 34, 37.2 miles. Concrete pavement.

Intersection of Route 34 to Jackson (Int. Route 25) 3 miles. Gravel surface. Good.

Jackson to Cape Girardeau (Int. Route 25) 3 miles. Gravel surface Good.

Jackson to Cape Girardeau (Int. Route 74) 11.2 miles. (Closed, under construction). Follow marked detour around this work as follows: North bound traffic take U. S. 61 into Cape Girardeau. U. S. 61 becomes Sprigg street within the city limits. Take Sprigg street north to Broadway and make left turn from Sprigg to Broadway; thence out Broadway to Boulevard street, making a left turn from Broadway on Boulevard; thence out Boulevard to Independence Street, making right turn at this intersection and following Independence Street to the Gordonville road. Take Gordonville road to Gordonville which is intersection of Route 25. Take 25 north into Jackson. South traffic follow Route 25 out of Jackson to Gordonville; thence out the Gordonville road to Cape Girardeau as explained above. This is an all-weather, gravel detour.

Cape Girardeau to Ancell, 7 miles. Concrete pavement.

Ancell to Benton (Int. Route 55) 8.6 miles. Gravel surface. Good.

Benton to Sikeston (Int. U. S. 60) 18.2 miles. Gravel surface. Good.

Sikeston to point one-half mile north of New adrid, 20 miles. Concrete pavement.

Point one-half mile north of New adrid to Marston, (closed, under construction). Light traffic follow 11 mile marked all-weather earth detour which starts on Route 61, one-half mile north of New Madrid and terminates at Marston. Heavy trucks busses and through traffic take U. S. 60, frmo Sikeston to Dexter; thence south on Route 25 from Dexter to Kennett; thence back east on Route 84 from Kennett to U. S. 61.

Marston to Portageville, 10 miles Gravel surface. Good.

Portageville to Hayti (Int. Route 84) 15.3 miles. Concrete pavement.

Hayti to Arkansas State Line, 22 miles. Concrete pavement.

Liberal—Davidson Drug Company installed modern ice cream plant.

Tuscumbia—County farm building will be constructed immediately for McDonald County.

Novinger—Additional equipment purchased for high school auditorium

New grocery store and meat market established at Maysville.

Arkansas-Missouri Power Company making numerous improvements on property at Kennett.

FERTILIZER HELPS TO PRODUCE EARLY MELONS

Too much attention cannot be given to the value of fertilizing the watermelon crop as an essential practice which will hasten maturity and enable the grower to get his melons onto an early market with consequent better prices.

A practice common to some growers is to place manure in the hills and then to side dress with about 100 pounds of 3-12-4 or 4-8-6 mixed fertilizer after the melons have reached a size large enough to send out runners. The experience of growers in the Wool Ridge neighborhood, among whom Stewart Brothers, Sam Jones and C. M. Emory are well known producers, points conclusively to the value of fertilizer in growing a crop in spite of daverse weather conditions.

Many growers are complaining about field mice and the demand for poisoned wheat has increased materially. A supply of this material is available at the office of the Extension Agent and can be secured at cost.

Since the article was published regarding the survey of the melon acreage for 1929 several names of growers have been added to the list. These are printed herewith.

Charleston District—Tom Layne, 15 acres; Roy Starks, 30; Charles Lough, 10 acres; A. W. Story, 6; A. Turner, 2; Marshall Stallings, 10.

Bertrand Section—Harry S. Bagwell, 10; John Michale, 10; J. F. Powell, 5; Grover Jackson, 5.

Growers in the Cotton Belt District not previously reported are Raymond McCuiston, 20 acres, and Will Forest 10 acres.

LEGHORNS VS. HEAVY BREEDS

There is always a chance fr argument when the question is raised as to the advantage of heavy over light breeds of chickens or vice-versa. For example, H. W. Nistendirk, Mrs. Tom Ford, A. C. Drennan, Mrs. A. D. Ray, Mrs. John Sanders, Mrs. Ben Wilmuth and many others have white leghorns. On the other hand the Ponders, Mrs. E. E. Presson, Mrs. Clarence Carter, Mrs. Chas. French, Mrs. A. V. Goodin and a few others have heavy type chickens. Those who have the leghorns are satisfied that they are the most economical and productive breed. On the other hand those who have the Barred Rocks Wyandottes, Rhode Island, Red Orpingtons, etc., think that the breed in which they are interested in, is the most satisfactory for their conditions.

A comparison made from flocks on which yearly records had been kept during the past year may be of interest to our readers. This information has been compiled by Berley Winton, Poultry Specialist from the Missouri College of Agriculture, and the figures were sent to County Agent Teal to be used as he might see fit. The comparison made between the leghorn and general purpose breeds

	Heavy Breeds	White Leghorns
Number of flock	69	84
Hens per farm	138	300
Decrease in size of flock by end of year	58⅓%	49.8%
Eggs per hen for the year	137	164
Yearly feed cost per hen	$2.63	$2.26
	Heavy Breeds	Light Breeds
Iinvestment per hen (stock, houses, etc.)	$4.96	$4.28
Labor income per hen.	2.25	2.21
Labor income per farm	$307.28	$665.67

The income represents the receipts per farm plus any increase in inventory. The expenses include feed cost for both young and old stock, any decrease in inventory, interest (6 per cent on the investment, depreciation 5 per cent) on buildings and miscellaneous equipment, the value of stock and eggs bought and incidental expenses, the difference between the income and expenses is the labor income. Rent on land, taxes and insufance are minor expenses not included in figuring the labor income.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS FROM OVER MISSOURI

Main Street business houses in Slater improved and repaired.

The Fair Drug Company of Trenton installed modern soda fountain.

Slater—Electrostatic ground detector installed at local power plant.

New theatre building will be erected in Marceline at once.

Highway will be constructed between Campbell and St. Francis, Ark.

North Kansas City—Building completed for Swift Garage.

Construction of edifice for First Christian Church of Butler recently completed.

Carrollton—Turner Building renovated for use as showroom by Carrollton Motor Company.

Public park in Pierce City being rebuilt and beautified.

Butler—Local streets being graveled.

Lexington—Streets of this place to be oiled.

Bethel—Construction on bridge over North River progressing steadily.

Palmyra—First Baptist church building thoroughly remodeled and addition built.

Parnell—Parnell Cafe recently opened.

Keytesville—Quarters of Pearman Motor Company expanded.

Novinger—Plans underway for organization of Agricultural Improvement Association.

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